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S.F. Stake House Ground Breaking Sept. 6

THREE PERFORMERS in the Oakland Light Opera Association production of "Rosalinda," left to right, Leona Gordon, Edwin Dunning and Patricia Stone. Oakland Third Ward is selling tickets to opera and barbecue on evening of July 26. (Oakland Tribune photo).

Opera And Barbecue Sponsored By Oakland Third Ward July 26

It will be Oakland Third Ward Night on Saturday, July 26 at the Woodminster Amphitheater in the Joaquin Miller Park, Oakland. For the ward's own Patricia Stone has a leading part in the light opera. "Rosalinda," and members are going to make the most of it—culturally, socially and financially.

Oakland Third is sponsoring ticket sales for this one night of the Woodminster season and is doing it up brown with a sumptuous barbecue preceding the show. This will be given in an area near the amphitheater, announces Kent Matney, 4200 Coolidge Ave., Oakland, who is chairman of the event.

Tickets, which must be reserved by July 12, will cost $15 per couple and will include admission to both the barbecue and the show.

Patricia, wife of Second Counselor Ronald V. "Bud" Stone, is well known for her vocal ability. A soprano, she is a graduate of the Curtis Conservatory in Philadelphia, has done a lot of singing in Salt Lake City, her home town, and has been on the BYU faculty.

"We are featuring this to appeal to music-minded couples of the area," said Dr. Matney. "Mrs. Stone turned down an offer to appear in opera in Salt Lake City this summer in order to take part in this production. She has a bright, clear soprano voice with outstanding dramatic quality."

The chairman said that food of top quality will be served at the barbecue and after the meal the participants will go to the production and sit as a group.

Three Granted Service Awards

Three new awards for distinguished service and achievement were presented by Brigham Young University at commencement exercises June 6. They include:

The Karl G. Maeser Teaching Award, to Dr. Thomas L. Martin, professor emeritus of agronomy and bacteriology and dean emeritus of the College of Applied Sciences. (Dr. Martin died later in the month.)

The David O. McKay Humanities award, to Mrs. Bertha A. Kleinman of Mesa, Ariz. distinguished author and poet, for whom the governor of Arizona last year proclaimed a special day of honor.

The Brigham Young University Special Service Award, to Reed E. Callister, Glendale, Calif., attorney, radio station owner, and LDS Church bishop who has brought great financial benefit to BYU.

Dr. Martin, who was well known in the Berkeley area, was honored by the Soil Science of America for having inspired more students to become soil scientists than any other teacher in America. His men are on the faculties of 31 universities, in government and industry.

Chorus Scores Great Success At Conference

Members of the Northern California MIA Youth Chorus are back home following their brilliant success in the June 15 conference session in the Salt Lake Tabernacle. They're back with memories of gay times aboard the special trains and planes, of new friends who were their hosts in Salt Lake City and with renewed faith in the gospel.

"The best thing about this whole trip is that it strengthened the testimonies of these outstanding young people," said R. Whiney Groo of San Mateo Stake, general chairman. "We became aware of this during the weeks of rehearsals and especially after arriving in Salt Lake City."

This was particularly apparent after the chicken dinner held in West High School when scores of the more than 600 chorus members stood in line back of microphones to bear their testimonies. Only part of the group were able to speak—there just wasn't time for all of them.

Musically the Tabernacle appearance was a magnificent success and the praise of the thousands who heard the chorus sing was summed up by Elder Richard L. Evans of the Council of Twelve Apostles, who said, ". . . this glorious chorus from Northern California."

CALLING THE PROJECT "a wonderful testimony builder," Chairman Groo said this also referred to the adults who worked to make it a success. Verna Johnson of Oakland and Milford A. Piggott, Sacramento, alternated as directors of the chorus and hundreds of other adults cooperated in many phases of the project to make it run smoothly.

"Lots of things about this proved that 'we are our brother's keeper,'" said Elder Groo. "For example, many 12- and 13-year-old youngsters helped sell light globes so their older brothers and sisters could make the trip."

Light globe sales was the principal means by which the young people earned the approximately $50 costs of the trip. But there were many other ways.

In Santa Rosa Stake 155 people each sold a pint of blood to the Odd Fellows blood bank for $10 a pint, thus raising $1550.

Dwight Reed of Turlock sold light globes until mumps stopped him. But Providence intervened; his cow had a calf which he sold for enough money to make up the difference.

Bonnie Elton of Menlo Park sold split pea soup, bread, salad and cake which she made herself. She netted $45 and valuable experience.

RUMMAGE SALES, candy sales, cake sales and sales of many other kinds were held in the 14 stakes. In San Joaquin Stake girls passed bills and a music concert helped defray part of the expense.

Sue Evans of Berkeley First Ward sold $168 worth of globes. Rik Simpson, 16, of Palo Alto Ward, learned that his summer school started on June 16 unstead of June 23 as he had been informed. In order to make a special plane trip back he had to earn an additional $35. So he went out to sell $102 worth of light globes. "Now

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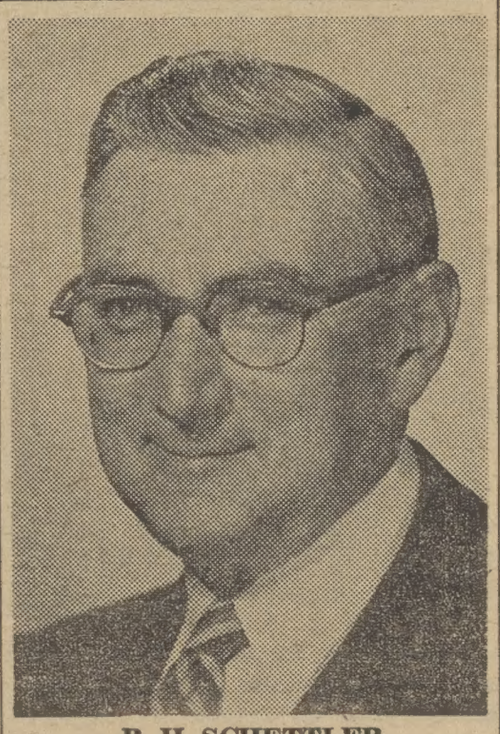

B. H. SCHETTLER

B. H. Schettler New Counselor In SF Stake

By Irv Derrick

A new second counselor was sustained in the San Francisco Stake Presidency at quarterly conference June 10. He is Bernherd Herman Schettler, former stake clerk. He succeeds Wallace N. Allred, newly sustained as first counselor to fill the vacancy created by the release of Wilford B. Murray who has moved from the state.

Elder Schettler is well known in the stake for his activities in the church since making his home in San Francisco in the fall of 1943. He has served as secretary, and as a counselor in The First Quorum of Elders, and as secretary to the 222nd Quorum of Seventy. He was sustained as Stake Clerk in January 1948, in which position he has served until the present appointment.

He was closely associated with the late President J. Byron Barton, not only in the stake clerk assignment but also in the building of the stake welfare and bishop's store house building, and in the new ward buildings of the stake.

He is active in his High Priest's Quorum, serving as group teacher whenever his stake duties permit.

Elder Schettler is a native of Utah, born in Salt Lake City, son of the late Cornelious D. and Florence Aalder Schetler. Before coming to California, he resided in Idaho as well as in Utah. He and his wife, Bessie Jones Schettler, were married in the Salt Lake Temple, June 20, 1954.

His Special hobbies include athletics and gardening with special interest in grouping of a variety and choice selection of fuchsia

He is assistant purchaser for the City and County of San Frencisco and has been active in this field for 30 years.

Evan Ray, assistant stake clerk, was sustained as the new stake clerk.

HELEN MACKAY, daughter of Allan and Edyth Mackay of Menlo Park Ward, will be vice president of the 1958-59 Junior Class at Brigham Young University. Helen, who received many honors during her high school days in Cincinnati, Ohio, was named to the position during the spring elections at BYU.

Center To Cost $450,000 Offers Sweeping View

Ground will be broken on Sept. 6 for a $425,000 San Francisco Stake House.

News of the big step forward for the stake was announced at a meeting held Saturday, June 28.

The new building, in addition to being used as a gathering place for the entire stake also will be occupied by Balboa First and Balboa Second wards. Slide-projected pictures of the first building occupied by the stake, and buildings used by the Balboa Ward before it was divided, were shown at the meeting.

W. Aird McDonald, first stake president when it was organized in 1927, was guest speaker at the meeting. At that time the stake included the area from Napa to San Jose, now occupied by nine stakes.

The present stake house at 22nd and Lawton, San Francisco, was dedicated in 1941 while Howard S. McDonald, who later became president of Brigham Young University, was president. The building was started at the time Elder Steven H. Winter, now stake patriarch, was president.

The site for the new building in Daly City on the west slope of San Bruno Mountain, affords a commanding view of the surrounding area. Pictures of the site, the view and the architect's conception of the building were shown at the meeting.

Bishop Willard B. Barton of Balboa First Ward has been working with the architect and the Church Building Committee. He helped to get the plans and other pertinent information ready for screening at Saturday's meeting.

The present stake house, no longer large enough to handle stake conferences, will be occupied by Sunset Ward, which now shares it with Balboa First.

Members of the stake were asked to donate necessary money and sign pledge cards to finance the building. Refreshments were served at the close of the meeting.

Serge Lauper is San Francisco Stake president.

Livermore Ward

Members Active Raising Funds For New Chapel

By Virginia Badger

With their sights ever on that new chapel, members of the Livermore Ward will attain their goal.

The Primary is selling stationery and boxes of beautiful all-occasion cards. Contact Faye Cahoon or Lela Reid to place your order for these lovely gift items.

June 20, the Sunday School took ward members on a tour of four foreign lands in Livermore. They tasted an appetizer in Hawaii at Wahini Ruff's, a salad in Italy at Signora Simon's, an entre in England at the Centre of Amusement, and a dessert in romantic France at Madame Hickenlooper's. It was a taste delight not to be missed and a great benefit to the building fund.

The Relief Society raised $100 for the building fund with a dinner May 17, at the home of Wilford T. Webb. The Webbs donated the chickens for the dinner, and Sister Webb supervised meal preparations. Swimming in the Webbs' pool before dinner enhanced appetites, and the wonderful meal was enjoyed on the back lawn and patio.

Time: Activity night, May 27th. Place: Church property, Livermore. Reason: Fun. Attired in loud shirts and holakus, members of the Livermore Ward sat, traditional style, on the floor to eat their luau. The feast, served by the MIA officers, included round steak cooked Hawaiian and sliced oranges with coconut. Dancing to records followed.

Sister Laraine Hoover, who spent two years in Hawaii while her husband was in the service, organized and put on the luau. Judy Parsons, YWMIA Girl's Activity Leader, helped with the decorations.

The Relief Society closing social was held June 10 on the patio of the home of Gwen Webb in Pleasanton. The ladies enjoyed a brunch prepared by Sister Cleone Parker.

Members of the Primary gathered at the home of Sister Faye Cahoon for a luncheon to honor four being released. Much appreciation for work done goes to teachers, Ella Sadler, Persis Carling, Dora Lee Thompson, and officer, Lola Cummings.

Samuel Smith of Livermore passed away June 2. Elder Marlton Simons spoke at the services, June 5. Brother Smith leaves his wife Clara and daughter Darlene.

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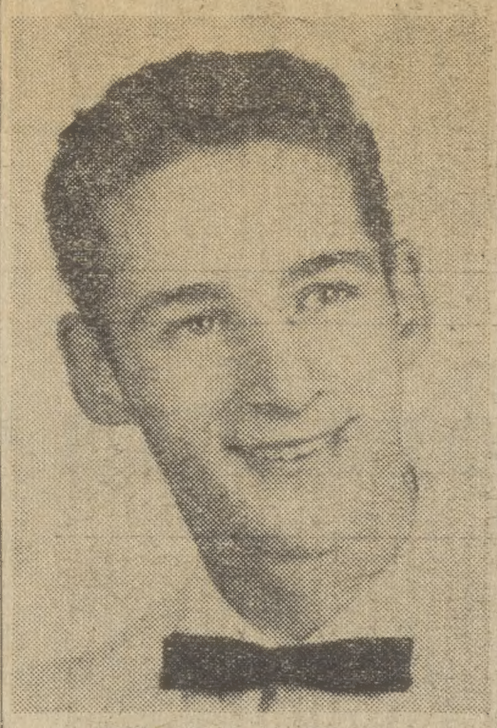


TERRY O. CARROLL

Castro Valley Ward

Terry O. Carroll Wins Scholarship

Terry Owen Carroll, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter W. Carroll, 18597 Milmar Blvd., Castro Valley, has been awarded a Hunter's Point Work-Study scholarship. The award enables Owen to work at his profession while attending the University of California to major in mechanical engineering. He begins his studies in the fall.

Owen, who will be 18 on July 4, graduated from Castro Valley High School this month. He earned the award for his outstanding scholastic achievements particularly in the area of his chosen career.

A recent convert to the church, Owen holds the office of priest and with his pleasant personality has gained for himself a reputation for dependability and cooperation. He has a younger brother, Kenneth, and his little sister, Teddi Sue.

New BYU Program Aids Gifted Students

College credit for gifted high school seniors is now available through a new college correspondence program being offered at Brigham Young University, announces Dean Harold Glen Clark, dean of Adult Education and Extension Services. It will allow, with approval of the superintendent and the principal, seniors who show special ability to take college level courses by home study while they are still in high school. A catalog of courses will be released May 1.

Have You Made Your Pledge For Tri-Stake Center?

Castro Valley Ward

Girl Tells Vivid Imprersions Of Youth Chorus Group

By Sharon Hartman

The trip that I took with the M. I. A. Youth Chorus was the most wonderful thing that I have experienced. The Spirit of our Heavenly Father was present in everything we did. We enjoyed ourselves tremendously but every minute we knew it couldn't have been possible without His aid.

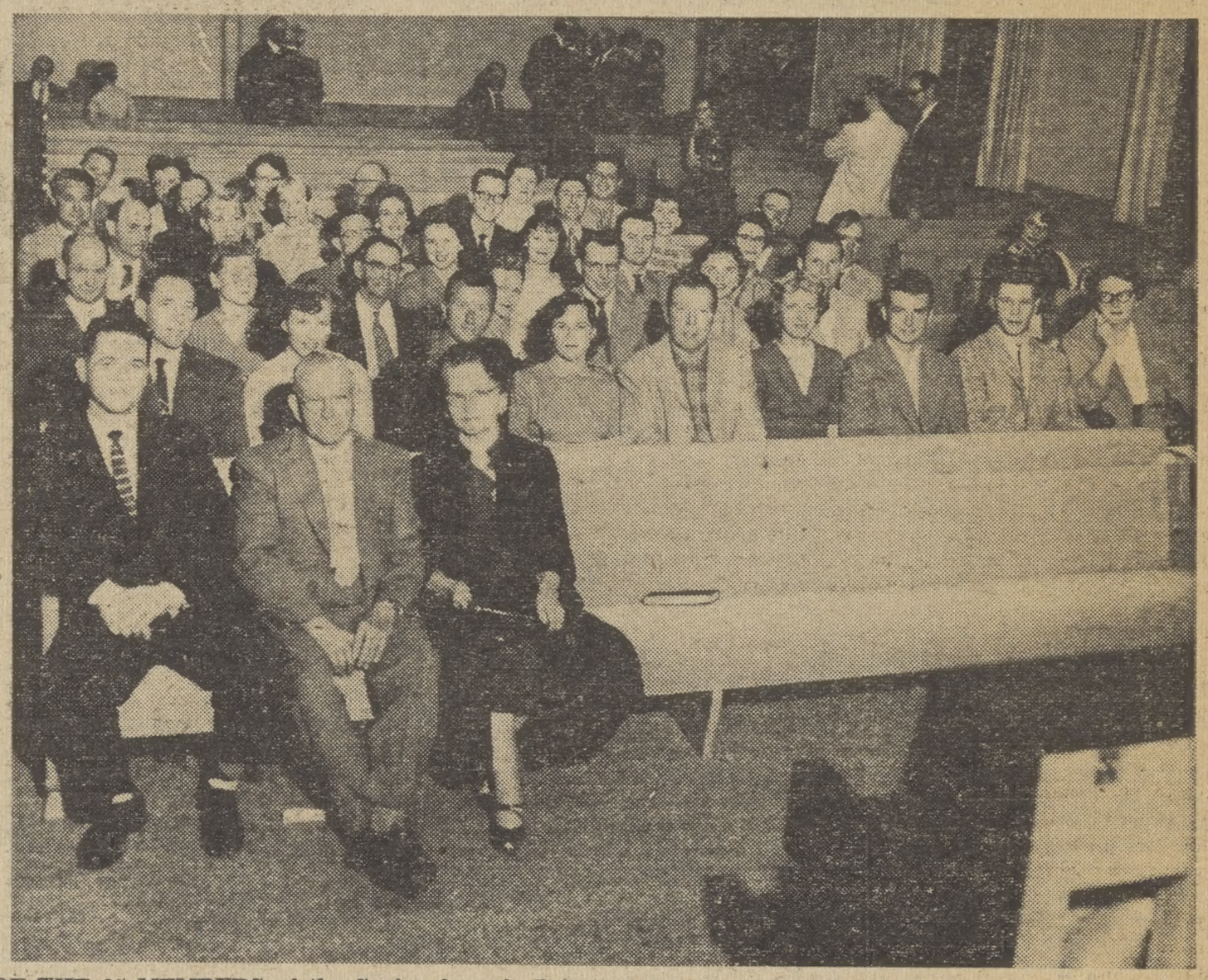
Saturday evening, June 14, we went to the Four Arts Festival in the Tabernacle. The Festival was put on by young people from all over Utah. It was magnificent and beautifully inspiring especially when the chorus, along with the audience, sang "The Spirit Of God Like A Fire Is Burning."

Our Grant Stake hosts were lovely young people with four little children. The first night we were there ten women and girls stayed at their home. How great their faith in the Lord must have been to take ten strange people into their home sight unseen!

At Sunday afternoon conference, June 15, we sang in the Tabernacle. Each young person could feel the presence of the Lord helping him to use his voice to its best advantage. At the end of the session, we sang "God Be With You 'Til We Meet Again" in a spontaneous gesture while the audience was leaving the Tabernacle. At that time the Spirit was so strong it was tangible. It was as if each young person was thanking God for this wonderful experience—and that He was receiving our thanks there with us.

Later that afternoon, in the testimony dinner each boy and girl who bore his testimony said that he wouldn't have missed the trip for anything. And that is the message I would like to leave with you. If you have a chance to go to Salt Lake City next year with the Youth Chorus, go and you will never be sorry. It will be one of the most rewarding experiences of your life.

(Sharon Hartman is 16 and will be a senior in Castro Valley high school this fall. She is a Junior and helps with the music department of the MIA.)



OF THE 35 MEMBERS of the Senior Aaronic Priesthood and their partners, shown here at the completion of Hayward Stake's second school, 32 compiled perfect attention records. Front row are W. W. Nelson, chairman of the Hayward Stake committee for Senior Members of the Aaronic Priesthood and instructors Owen L. Stewart and his wife.

35 In Hayward Stake Graduated From 2nd Senior Aaronic School

Graduation exercises were recently conducted in Hayward stake for 35 members of the Senior Aaronic Priesthood and their partners, 32 of whom compiled perfect attendence records in this second school in the Hayward Stake. This is the second of the Hayward Stake schools, bringing the total of graduates to 77.

Instructor was Owen L. Stewart, Hayward Stake Patriarch, assisted by his wife. Chairman of the Stake committee for Senior members of the Aaronic Priesthood is W. W. (Bill) Nelson, a member of the stake high council, who praised the work of the instructors and the stake committee for their contributions to success of this school.

During graduation exercises, two members of the class gave sincere and humble expressions of appreciation for the school and what renewed activity in the church has meant to them and to their families.

The Hayward Stake Presidency and High Council members, enthusiastic about results of the classes, plan to make the school a permanent part of the program for Senior members of the Aaronic Priesthood.

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Centerville Ward

Ward Booming In Membership

By Ora Matheson

Centerville Ward, which was begun in March, 1950, with the gathering of 19 Latter-day Saints assembled in the home of Brother and Sister Clyde W. Lindsay, now has grown to more than 800 members. Friendship, goodwill and leadership in the ward have marked this growth and welded the Saints together.

Eugene Forest Pennington and his wife, Marion Lou, were confirmed members of the Church in June. Their three children, Randy Scott, Robin Lea and Eugene Forest Jr., were blessed at the same service.

Baby Heidi Susan Hale, who from birth has been seriously ill and who was named and blessed at the hospital, is doing well, and was shown to the congregation for the first time.

Other babies named and blessed that day were Margaret Madden, David Earl Tanner, Sharon Ann Harmon, Ronald Leon Garner and Shellie Kaye Smith.

New homes being erected in the neighborhood of the ward chapel are nearing completion. These attractive, well-built homes are being offered for sale by Centerville ward to raise funds for additional classrooms in the present buildings.

The Senior Fireside group has scheduled an outing for July 19.

Howard and Marjorie Hunt were married in the Los Angeles Temple May 29, and their two boys, Michael and Robin, were sealed to them. Present at the ceremony were President and Sister Winkel, Bishop Andrew Hunt and Marjorie's mother, Sister Felshaw.

A bridal shower in honor of Elaine Tingey was given at the home of Ora Davis Matheson by Rose Winkel, Marjorie Bout and Sister Matheson, for 45. The marriage ceremony was performed in the Centerville ward Relief Society room June 28.

The Floyd Weights have gone to Manti, Utah, to witness the sealing of Brother Weight's parents in the Manti Temple.

Vera McKinley, mother of Wayne McKinley of the Hayward Stake Sunday School board has been a recent visitor at the home of her son on Temple Way.

Tom and Linda Kipp are parents of a girl who will be named Lisa.

San Leandro Ward

New Officers For YWMIA

By Marilyn Nelson

The YWMIA was reorganized June 1 when a vote of thanks and appreciation was given to Viola Schipper and her counselors Lorna Beach and Alice Bauer. New president is Doris Hansen who has chosen Ruth Nelson and Jenny Hill to be her counselors.

Six from our ward attended June MIA conference, Hal Hansen, Doris Hansen, Verna Jackson, Dolores Bednar, Jenny and Lyman Hill.

Arnold Miller was home on leave May 15 to 22 and is stationed at Norman, Oklahoma.

Brother and Sister Daniel Canning joined the Los Angeles Temple excursion June 14.

Helen Ream gave a book review June 4, "A Few Buttons Missing" for the Primary, Tri-stake building fund.

Elder DeMoyne Lee Bekker arrived recently from his West German mission and we are now awaiting a report of his experiences.

Hayward Stake

New YMMIA Leaders Named

By Gertrude Lesser

The YMMIA of Hayward Stake, during this past month released with a vote of thanks for their very fine work during the past years, Pete Schipper, Jewel Ahlin and Abe Atwood. Brother Jack James is the newly appointed stake superintendent with Brother Lyman Hill acting as first assistant.

Sister Frances Inman is assuming stake duties in the Bee Hive Department. Sister Inman previously was president of the Hayward Ward Mutual.

Nancy Speed from San Lorenzo Second Ward, Hayward Stake, represented the Mia Maid Church-wide Rose Tie June 13, 1958 in the Tabernacle at Salt Lake City. It was necessary for 60 per cent of the Mia Maids in 60 per cent of the stakes throughout the Church to achieve their Mia Joy Awards before the Church-wide Rose Tie could be held. Unfortunately, Hayward Stake was not among the 60 per cent, however, the stake had the privilege of being represented.

A Conjoint Relief Society Convention was held May 25 at the Hayward Ward Chapel. Hayward Stake Relief Society officers and teachers acted as hosts to those of Oakland-Berkeley Stake. Sisters Evon Petersen and Mary Smith were the General Board representatives from Salt Lake City. About 200 were present at the morning session after which a luncheon was served to the stake officers and their guests from Salt Lake City. Blue Delphinium and red pelargoniums decorated the chapel. Roses were used on the luncheon tables.

The Hayward Stake Board entertained the visiting teachers of their stake at a luncheon and party in the Hayward Ward Recreation Hall. Livermore Ward Relief Society prepared the food in a most appetizing manner.

Rodeo Ward

2 Sisters Honored At Double Party

The home of Sister Helen Hess of El Sobrante, was the locale on June 11, for a double pink and blue shower, honoring Sister Ruth Horn, wife of Bishop Vernal Horn and sister, Naomi Ogden, wife of his second Counselor, Dean Ogden.

Assisting sister Hess were Melba Lenzi and Florence Pryor. Thirty five friends attended the shower party.

Genealogy Data Exchange Asked

A plea for the exchange of genealogical data is made through the Messenger by Mrs. Evelyn Fink, 1942 Whelan Ave., San Leandro. She desires to exchange data on the following family lines;

England (near London)—Harradine, Hogwood, McLaren and Weller. Switzerland—Blatter, Brunner, zu Fliegen (1685), Fluhmann, Knecht and Studer. Germany (Bavaria) Pfalz and Hohenzollern; Adams, Barth, Bazer, Becker, Beron, Betz, Bloder, Bohlander, Ecker, Eggstein, Eitelmann, Fink, Federolf, Germeroth, Godel, Goggel, Harbeck, Hammel, Hermann, Hofmann, Knieriman, Korn, Kayser, Lendle, Mayer, Meyer, Niemes, Petri, Reiser, Remeli, Rimelius, Rosch, Schmit, Schmalenberger, Strauss, Schmittscherer, Schwarz and Wiltberger.

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ELAINE RANKER, daughter of Mrs. Irene Ranker of Lafayette and the late President Emery R. Ranker of Walnut Creek Stake, will marry R. Joseph Monsen, Jr., son of the senior R. Joseph Monsens of Salt Lake City in midwinter. Engagement of the popular couple was announced at a colorful party at the home of the bride-elect in Lafayette. Small scrolls attached to dark red roses told the news. Miss Ranker, a graduate of the Univeristy of Utah, is doing graduate work in nutrition at the University of California, Berkeley. Elder Monsen is compleing his Ph.D., in economics at U.C. has been active in the Commonwealth Club of San Francisco and is advisor to Stanford University Library. He obtained his M.A. at Stanford.

Alameda Camps Of DUP Meet In Centerville

By Lavern Bain

Daughters of the Utah Pioneers met on Saturday June 7 to enjoy a camp experience together. Members from each of the nine Alameda County Camps with their boards met in Centerville where the social and picnic luncheon was held in the patio of the Ward Chapel.

This area around Centerville is a historic spot. Approximately one mile from the chapel John Horner, who came to San Francisco on the Ship Brooklyn, settled in 1846. Here he built the first non-Catholic school house and chapel. His son was the first white child born in the area. John Horner built the first roads, bridges, and fences and did much to help the missionaries who were going to or from the Islands in the Pacific. The Alameda County Daughters of Utah Pioneers are planning to place a marker to the first school house, chapel and to John Horner its builder.

BISHOP HUNT and his counselors of Centerville Ward have graciously reserved a place on their chapel grounds where the marker will be placed for all to see and remember our pioneers of this area.

A new camp was organized in the Hayward Wards with LaVon Osman as captain. We are thrilled to add this new camp, and hope in the near future to organize in Centerville.

We sincerely thank all who participated in making this such a happy event and are grateful to Anna Patton for the research on this history, and her contagious enthusiasm that inspired us. We were happy to greet Amelia Everett who is just now getting around after a long illness.

Bishop Hunt gave a welcoming address at the picnic and told of his and Mrs. Hunt's wonderful pioneer heritage. A song, "The Old Fashioned Pocket," by members dressed in pioneer costumes, was enjoyed.

The closing meeting of the Claremont Camp was held in May at the home of Mrs. Florence Heald. This was also an outdoor party where members enjoyed a barbecue lunch, sang together, and visited. Mrs. Erma Clark is captain of the group with Rose Gleason and Althea Stoddard as vice captains.

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Book Sale Aids Building Drive

By June Ellenburg

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For the benefit of M.I.A. officers and teachers who have small children, we have started a television baby sitting service where the youngsters can come to the M.I.A. with their parents and watch TV, under competent supervision.

The following M.I.A. officers and teachers attended the recent June conference in Salt Lake City: Young Ladies M.I.A. President Raellen McCarthy; Jack Bigler, Executive Scout Director, and his wife Ruth; Anita Hills, Young Ladies Secretary. Nancy Speed was chosen to represent the Hayward Stake to participate in the Mia Maid ceremonies.

Our Bishop, Don Smith, his wife Melva, and three children, Richard, Don and Linda vacationed for two weeks in Salt Lake, visiting the Bishop's parents and attending M.I.A. conference.

We are proud of our Senior Aaronic Priesthood activity, and offer special congratulations to Ralph Hills and Samuel Roberts, Senior Priests, who were sustained in the Priesthood Leadership meeting June 15 for advancement to Elder.

Welcome to the new families in the ward: Del and Donna Carter, and their three children (Del is already busy with a new assignment on the Stake YMMIA Board, and Donna has recently become a Ward Primary Counselor. Eugene and Yvonne Nicoletti and their two children. Val and Renee Taylor and daughter. David and Melva Weight and daughter. Burton and Carol Pett and two daughters. Ronald and Clios Hume and daughter.

We are happy to welcome new converts: Eileen Ward and daughter Bonita were baptized and confirmed last fast Sunday. Shari Williams was batpized and confirmed, and her two-year-old daughter, Shawn, was blessed.

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Original Operetta Gets SRO Crowd

"Our Fair City," an original, three-act operetta, presented by the Walnut Creek Stake Mutual Improvement Associations, played to a "standing room only" audience at the Walnut Creek-Pleasant Hill Ward Chapel Tuesday, June 10.

Music was written and directed by Lorraine Wilkinson who also "tripled" as pianist. Maxine Pickett wrote lyrics, co-authored the script, was assistant director and co-choreographer. Ethel Baker co-authored the script, directed the production, and was co-choreographer. Don Mulgate was stage manager and constructed scenes. Gilbert Smith and Darrell Westover handled the lighting. Charles Anderson and Ken Peterson handled settings and design.

Nico Snel arranged the theme music "Here Comes the Carnival," David Smith did the Gypsy dance music , Mel Edgar was organist, and Francelle Larsen was violinist.

Don Mulgate, Wanda Hilton, Virginia Macey, Betty Jones, Maurine Perona, and Carma Baldwin acted as stage crew.

Principals of the cast included: John Williams, Michael Grey, Kyle Westover, Ada Thurgood, Andrea Everett, Rosann Lindford, Janae Bledsoe, Robert Gibbs, Evelyn Tueller, Dick Linford, Shirley Magleby Jeannie Smith.

Members of the supporting cast included:

Dancers—Jeannie Smith, Gayle Chamberlain, Camille Chamberlain, Rosann Linford, Joann Wilkinson, Kay Chirstiansen, Janae Bledsoe, Beverly Cherrington.

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Superintendents of the Walnut Creek Stake MIA are Darrell Westover and Marjean Williams.

Walnut Creek Among Top Stakes Of Church In Missionary Activities

By A. E. Gilbert

Despite an unseasonable rain, more than 1300 members of Walnut Creek Stake packed into the Walnut Creek-Pleasant Hill Ward Chapel for the Stake Quatrerly Conference June 8, held under the direction of Elder Elray L. Christiansen, Assistant to the Quorum of the Twelve, and presided over by Stake President Norman B. Creer.

"Restoration of the Gospel through the Prophet Joseph Smith is not just something to talk about," Elder Christiansen told the Sunday morning session. "It is the greatest thing that has happened to the world since the birth of The Savior."

Every Latter-day Saint is obligated to be a missionary in talking and acting in accord with the Gospel, he said.

"WE DO NOT eulogize Joseph Smith more than we do Jesus Christ," he answered some often-heard, ill-informed criticism. 'J'esus was and is the Savior and Redeemer of the World whom we worship. Joseph Smith was His Prophet and ally whom we respect and honor."

During the afternoon session, the tone of which was set by the opening song, "Love at Home," Elder Christiansen urged, "If we pray WITH our children now we won't have to do so much praying FOR them when they're older."

President Creer, reporting on activities of the Stake since the last quarterly conference, said membership has recahed 5410 persons or 1717 families, that the Stake is gaining 53 new members a month, one-third of them by conversion. His First Counselor Kenneth D. Jensen spoke on the importance of ward teaching and the Senior Aaronic program in carrying forward. the Church's program. The Senior Aaronic and Elders' schools, recently started in the stake and highly successful, are permanent institutions, he announced.

JOSEPH R. HILTON, President Creer's second counselor, said, "A clear understanding of the message of the Restoration would remove doubt and inactivity from our midst. The Kingdom that has been established in this latter day can never be destroyed."

Robert Chalmers, president of the Stake Mission, reported that the stake is in the upper five per cent of the stakes of the Church in results of its missionary activities despite being at only one-third of "ideal" strength, but warned against complacency with the statement that "there are 250,000 non-members in our area. There is still plenty to do."

Other participants in the conference included, Concord Wards' combined choirs, Keith McCune, Stake Patriarch Vinal G. Mauss, Bert Henderson, Levi Swinford, Velda Nichols, Ted Madsen and Russell Groesbeck.

Dr. Noah Brinton was sustained as alternate member of the Stake High Council during the morning session.

Walnut Creek Ward

Tribute Is Paid To Girl Leaders

By Ann Lea Spencer

Greetings once again . . . from Walnut Creek Ward. My oh my do those months roll by in a hurry when you have a monthly assignment . . .

We'd like to pay tribute to our Honor Bees: Cheryl Beck, Marsha Jensen, Karen Beth Stoll, and Elaine Geertson; to our Silver Gleaners: Lucy Christiansen, Andrea Everett, and Catherine Coombs; and our Mia Maids: Camille Chamberlain, Mary Jane Forbyn, Jolene Thurgood, Janice Marker, Lorraine Smith, and Lynda Ann Hamilton.

Father's Day was very special for Kenneth and Margaret Krey who have a new son, James Michael, born June 7, 7 pounds 4 ounces. This makes 4 daughters and 2 sons! Congratulations also go to Ardith and Jack Steger, a daughter, Cynthia, born May 26, 6 pounds, 10 ounces. This makes 2 girls and 1 boy.

Our deepest sympathy to Edna M. Smith who lost her mother last month and her father, George S. Sims, this month, and to Gloria Kimball, who lost her father Mark H. Greene.

Welcome to our three new members of the Church: Wendy Abegg, Barbara Krey, and Harold Scott Clark.

We wish a speedy recovery to Ruby Willert, Gertrude Nelson, and Carl Martineau.

Our Relief Society President, Mary Jean Davis, was able to spend a wonderful week up in Idaho to help her parents, the M. E. Holts of Heise Hot Springs, Idaho, celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary. Bill Burrows and family enjoyed a nice week down South in Los Angeles and Disneyland.

Elaine Ranker announces her betrothal to R. Joseph Monsen Jr. Elaine is the daughter of Irene Ranker and the late Dr. Emery R. Ranker. Parents of the prospective bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Raymond J. Monsen, 1702 E. 9th South, Salt Lake City. They plan a winter wedding.

Plans have just been completed for Troop 211 pack trip over the John Muir Trail in the High Sierras from August 8 to August 16. Much enthusiasm has developed for the trip which also will see the formation of a new patrol for the dads, the name of which is in doubt. It seems likely that the name of "Creaky Bones Patrol" or "Dutiful Dads" might be proper. At the present time nine fathers are willing to try the trip. Our Scouts will start at Tuolumne Meadows and hike over the Muir Trail to Devil's Postpile Monument . . . this will take them over some of the most primitive country in the Sierras.

Martinez Ward

Ward Is Leading In Funds Drive

By Clara Carpenter

Martinez Ward is leading in the drive for funds to build the Tri-Stake Center, with 80 per cent already in. Let's go on to support it 100 per cent'

The Relief Society has been reorganized, with Sister Ruth Jackson, replacing Sister Berta Evensen as president. Berta is expecting the stork soon.

New officers also have been named for the Mutual. New leaders of the YWMIA are, Rhoda Jennings, president; Helen Willardson, first counselor, and Della Harrison, second counselor. For the YMMIA, LeGrande Cook, president; Roy Howard, first counselor, and Art House, second counselor; John Le Page, secretary-treasurer, and Margaret Le Page, Beehive leader.

Ward members are happy over the Los Angeles Temple trip of Brother and Sister Fisher, who were re-married and sealed and had their daughter sealed to them.

Two new teachers in the Primary are Sister Darlene Peterson and Sister Jeri Ingram. Five girls who have been graduated from Primary to MIA are Rolyn Harrison, Janet Barney, Jill Hanson, and Bonnie La Page.

New babies blessed are Jerilyn Zenk, daughter of Clara and Bill Zenk, blessed by the father, and Tamara Jean Evenson, daughter of Shirlene and Ted Evenson, blessed by the father. New confirmations are Mabel Armstrong and son, Franklin Bert Armstrong. Welcome!

Ten ward families were called upon to live for two weeks on the supplies available in their homes, part of the year's supply expected to be kept by all Mormon families. They are Bishop Wayne M. Holden, Bishop Kermit Perrins, Boyd Duke, Warner Vom Dorp, Va Jean Cooper, Ned Jackson, Lynn Morgan, Gordon Barney, Harry Hulb and Ira Lefler and their families. After the two weeks they had a welfare dinner of dehydrated food and found it very palatable.

The MIA suprised Kermit Perrins, presiding bishop over Mutual; Donald Evans, superintendent, and Ruth Jackson, president, with a party on June 3. The occasion—Kermit Perrins birthday; Donald Evans released to be activity assistant superintendent to the Mutual Stake Board; Ruth Jackson released to be president of the Relief Society. Kermit was presented with a huge heartshaped cake, a book was presented to each one and cake and punch served.

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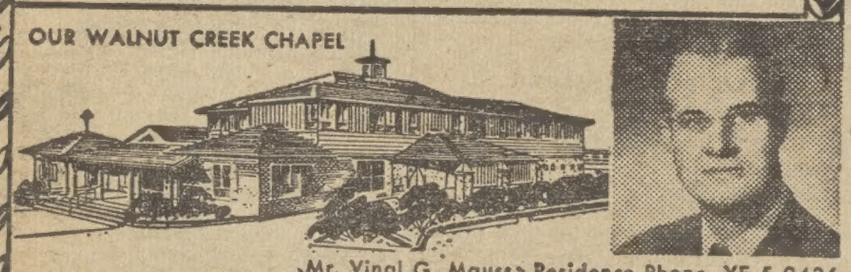

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Distinguished Polish Author Visits With Bishop and Family

Melchoir Wankowicz, the distinguished Polish author, has been touring the United States and writing his impressions for the newspapers of Poland. While in the Bay area he asked Sam Taylor of Redwood City Ward if it would be possible to meet a Mormon family when traveling to Utah. Sam referred him to his brother Nephi, Bishop of North Farmington Ward, whose letter is indicative of the impression Mr. Wankowicz got of the Mormons).

Dear Sam,

Soon after you wrote telling me about Melchoir (you see I am well enough acquainted with him now to call him by his first name) we received a telephone call from him from Wells, Nevada. He acted as though it were a great favor to him if he could arrange to see us for just a few minutes. We invited him to come up and stay with us, but he declined. It seemed that all he wanted was to meet a Mormon bishop and be able to ask a few questions. We later found they were greatly interested in Mormonism and the few questions turned out to be a few hundred, one right after another.

When he and Mrs. Wankowicz arrived Friday evening we persuaded them to come out to dinner with us, and from the moment we met them the questions began, as if they would never get another chance to meet a Mormon, leastwise a bishop.

THEY WANTED to know about our Church government. How much were the Church officials paid? How much were missionaries paid? How much did they pay me? Did we have ceremonies in our Church and did the presiding authorities wear robes? They wanted to know about Joseph Smith, his visions, the Godhead, the persecution of the Church. They wanted to know about polygamy, how it was received and why it was discontinued.

They just could not understand why officers in our Church would work for the love of the work. They could not understand why any missionary would give two years out of the center of his life to preach the Gospel. They seemed amazed at the democracy of our Church. I guess our dinner conversation lasted two hours, and every minute of it was pleasant.

When we left to go home it was storming, so we persuaded them to stay over with us rather than drive in to their motel, and this gave us another hour and a half to carry on with questions and answers. We got the impression they were more interested in the Gospel than they were in gathering material for publication.

NEXT MORNING was beautiful and sunny. When they came down to our store and service station, where I was looking out for our temporal needs, the first thing Melchoir said to me was, "Oh, how happy I am that we had the opportunity to stay in your home. To think that I have the opportunity of staying with a Mormon Bishop. To think I have had the opportunity of seeing a Mormon Bishop working with his hands to make a living." Everything was so different in his own Church. "Oh, to see a people who practice democracy," he said, "who give of their services without payment."

They had me service their car and this extended their visit until nearly noon. I told them how they would get the most out of the Tabernacle tours, and called the Church offices and made an appointment for an interview with Brother LeGrande Richards of the Council of the Twelve. Then we said goodbye to our friends.

Well, Sam, I did think you might be interested in our visit with Mr. Wankowicz. Hoping this finds you and yours well and happy.

Yours,
Nephi

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FLY AWAY—Fledgling Seagulls leave the Primary nest in this graduation ceremony of San Carlos and Redwood City wards. Bishops of the two wards, Joel E. Leetham (left) of San Carlos and William D. Brew of Redwood City make presentation of the graduati on certificates.

Menlo Park Ward

Time Extension For Missionary

Stanley Michaelson, son of Mrs. Carl Skie, who has been serving a mission in Uruguay and was due to be released in May, writes to his mother of his joy in being asked to remain a short time longer. His letter set forth:

"My Dearest Mother: What this letter contains should fill you with joy as it does me. Recently you received my message that I would be home about the 5th, of May, remember? That was before President Jensen spoke to me; and I am very happy and thrilled that he did speak to me, too. You see, he wants to call me to an extended mission, to fill an important calling.

It seems that he even received the approval of the First Presidency giving him the "go ahead" to call me to the office of "Assistant to the Mission Presidency." It would be to work in the auxiliary organizations still, but to travel throughout the entire mission spending time in each branch to teach all the various officials their duties; this has been impossible to do by letter only from the office here in Montevideo. For some time now I have had the desire to visit and help those in the interior—many of whom I know only by name.

"I had really quite given up on the idea that it would be my privilege to be asked to extend my service; but yesterday President Jensen had the district presidency over for a meeting and later spoke to each one of us alone. Well, he said that I had been very efficient in my Sunday School work, to the point that he needs me to help the Mission still. Was I ever thrilled! So, he asked me if I would be willing to stay on. Need one wonder what I said!"

Virgil H. Smith Lauds Agents

Virgil H. Smith, president of the Beneficial Life Insurance Company of Salt Lake City in his recent visit to the West Coast paid high tribute to the outstanding achievemens of the Northern California agencies headed by Charles J. Taylor, C.L.U., and Marion H. Hill.

He congratulated Brother Taylor, who resides in Berkeley, and Brother Hill, who lives in Sacramento, for the work they are doing. He said that Beneficial Life has enjoyed far greater growth in the California areas than in any other throughout the 11 western states in which it operates.

In commenting on the current business conditions Smith said that "business has never been better in the life insurance industry." He said the firm is experiencing an increase this year over 1957 and is expecting its best year in 1958.

He was in San Francisco to attend the three-day American Life Convention.

San Mateo Stake

Awards Given To Homebuilders

The San Carlos-Redwood City Wards recreation hall was turned into Happy Holiday Department store when the Homebuilder girls of the two wards entertained their mothers Saturday, June 14. There were games in the Yardage Department and in notions and other departments and each girl made herself a hat in millinery. The Geranium Tea Room, which had geraniums but no tea, was the delightful corner for refreshments of cookies and ice cream.

The following Seagull girls received graduation certificates from Bishop Brew and Bishop Leetham: from Redwood City Jeanne Carlson, Marilyn Hill, Carolyn Hill, Gloria Terman, Gayle Naegle, Grace Ingersol, Faye Sullivan, and Terri Voyce; from San Carlos, Pat Hansen, Cheryl McNeil, Judy Allison, and Trudy Leishman.

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Local LDS Singles Club Elects New Officers

By Emily B. King

New officers and interesting doings—there's much to report for the LDS Singles Club this issue.. A family picnic is planned for mid-July, with the date and location to be decided at our July Fireside. The Fireside is coming up this Sunday, July 6, 8p.m., at the Oakland Fourth Ward at 4705 Virginia Street, Oakland. (Just below MacArthur between High and Monticello.) Dances will be held at Oakland Fourth on the second and fourth Saturdays of the month.

We are considering Marsh Creek and Adobe Creek for the picnic. Any other suggestions? Plan to bring your children, Singles. My own children need all of the family "togetherness" we can muster, and have a strong need to belong to groups where they aren't "different." How about yours?

Our ex-president, Milan (Red) McDowell, is graduating from the Singles Club in August, taking Kathy Swan along down to San Jose as Mrs. McDowell. He plans on going to school there. Our alumni list is swelling! We wish the best to Red and Kathy.

OUR JUNE FIRESIDE featured the election of new officers. Nominees were scouted out by the previous officers. the group added no nominees from the floor ,and the election was completed in record time. Our new officers are: president, Russell A. Shurtliff, San Leandro; vice president, Betty Jean Roberts, San Mateo; secretaries, Ann Humphrey and Marilyn Nelson, both of San Leandro; treasurer, Anna Hjorth, San Francisco; and Reporter, Emily King, Berkeley.

Rabbi John Zuckor was guest speaker at this Fireside. He spoke eloquently on marriage. Each member of his audience will be better candidate for "Singles Club Alumnus" because of that beautiful talk. The audience bombarded Rabbi Zuckor with questions on Judaism. He withstood the assault brilliantly.

Our May Fireside audience was deeply moved by the talk given by a young missionary, Elder Call, and by the testimony of his companion.

A potluck diner dance was held at Wawona Lodge in Sigumond Stern Grove, San Francisco on June 21st. Many thanks to Ada Edvalson and Golden Scott, who steered this special event so well.

WE WENT to San Francisco for our April specialty, also: a theater party in Cinerama, seeing "Search for Paradise." After the show, Diane Bullough invited the 25 theater-goers to her elegant apartment for dessert and talk.

Fine dances, lately! We've seen some faces from way-far-away. We enjoyed meeting Singles from San Carlos, Antioch, Sunnyvale, Pittsburg (Ed Scott is a faithful), Niles, San Mateo, San Jose, Palo Alto and Tracy. San Mateo is a strong contingent of the group with our new vice president as representative. June Davis and Charles Wellings came up from San Jose in April, asking questions about how to form a group there. June's number is CY. 5-9911. La Wana Stokes and Elaine Futch came from Palo Alto and Jo Lyne Burgess from Tracy has shown up several times.

All of these people came to the Oakland Fourth Ward where we swing out on the second and fourth Saturdays of each month to the smoothly taped music of Leon Poulson. Our refreshment girls do a scrumptious job. Warning: don't eat dessert before coming unless you have a hollow leg.

ANY SINGLE PERSON over 25 is welcome. You don't dance? Lorraine Reinoldson is there at 8:30 p.m. to teach before the dance—and she does it well.

Still won't try? Well, you're not alone. At least come to our picnic, and especially come to Fireside on the first Sunday of each month at Oakland Fourth, 8:00 p.m. Refreshments are there, too. Refreshments and a chance to visit—this Sunday, July 6th.

If you would like information about this group, call the representative below. Wed'd love to hear from you; better still, we'd love to see you. Perhaps we can help you with a ride. We have a directory of members. If you can't come because of transportation problems, write to Ann Humphrey, 710 Greer Ave., San Leandro, Calif. She will send you a directory. Calling your Single neighbors may solve your problem.

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Los Altos Ward

Decorations Steal Show At Annual Scout Dinner

At the Los Altos Ward Scout-Explorer dinner held recently the food was unusually tasty, the service excellent, and the committee work faultless—yet the decorations for the event were the outstanding feature. There was general agreement among the 230 men, women, and children who enjoyed the dinner and subsequent entertainment that the decorations "stole the show."

They consisted mainly of three large seals, eight feet in diameter, depicting in design and color the Cub-Scout, Boy Scout, and Explorer emblems. They occupied most of the stage in the chapel's Recreation Hall and were surmounted by the key theme of ADVANCEMENT in large letters extending across the curtained area. In addition each of the eight long dining tables was decorated with three seals, about a foot in diameter, representing the insignia of merit badges.

The creators of these decorations were Marjorie Johnson and Leslie Francis, whose diligent art work, along with some help from their husbands, extended over several weeks. The dinner, efficiently served by the scouts and explorers, is an annual affair held to provide funds for camping and other expenses of Troop and Post 22, which the Los Altos Ward sponsors.

Dave Nelson, representing the Stanford Scout Council, was in attendance and presented the Troop and Post with a renewal of their charters for another year. The ceremonies included also the advancement of four 11-year-old Guide Scouts, a preliminary stage in the scouting program, to the rank of Tenderfoot. They are Dean Halverson, Ronnie Hixson, Bill Johnson, and David Starkweather. This award was made by Grant Johnson, scoutmaster of the Guide Scouts.

Other ward officers participating in the scout-explorer program or in behind - the - scenes preparation were: Fred Croshaw, master of ceremonies; Lyle Egan, secretary of the scout committee; Wally Farr, scoutmaster; Karl Eager, assistant scoutmaster; Eugene Powell, explorer advisor; and Norman Steggel, assistant explorer advisor. The food committee comprised Rodmar Pulley, L. Victor Riches, Lyle Egan, and Grant McGiven. The ladies of the Ward prepared and contributed most of the food.

The success of ticket selling, under the direction of Arden Hill, was evident from the large attendance. The scout and guide who sold the most tickets each received an air mattress as a prize. These awards went to scout L. Victor Riches, Jr. who sold 75 tickets and to guide Scout Bill Johnson who sold 37. Finally Lloyd Baker supervised the uninspiring but essential task of clean-up after the well - fed and well - entertained diners were homeward bound.

Los Altos Ward

Aaronic Awards Given At Dinner

Food, entertainment, and the award of certificates combined to make the Aaronic Priesthood fathers-and-sons dinner at the Los Altos Ward, Friday, June 6, an enjoyable occasion. Twelve fathers and 15 sons attended and witnessed the granting of certificates by Bishop Gerald Sharp to nine Aaronic Priesthood holders for superior attendance at church services. Those having a 100 per cent record in this respect were: Richard Kent Francis, Marvin Frances, Emerson McOmber and LeGrand McOmber.

The after-dinner entertainment consisted of motion pictures on safety, football and cowboy life. The successful event gave promise of being an annual affair.

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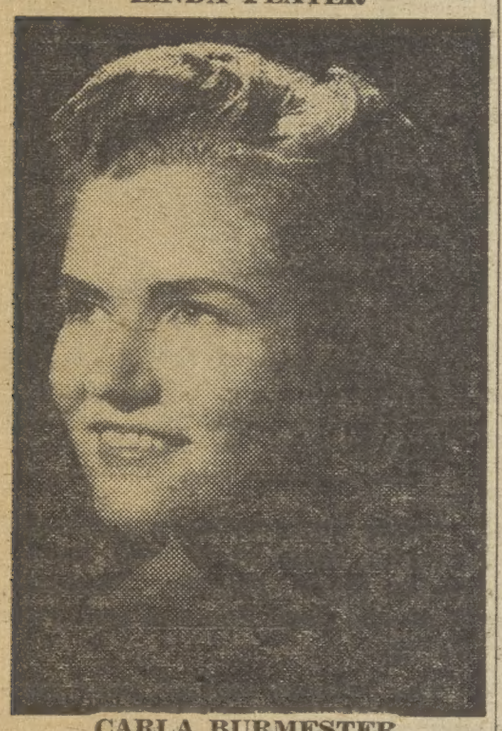

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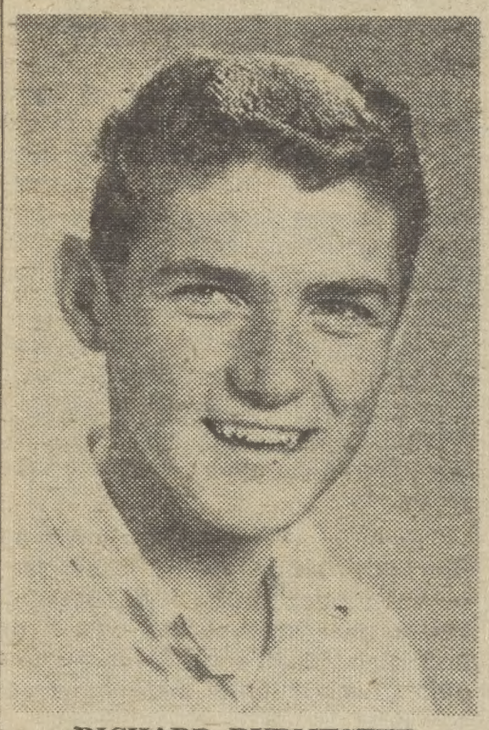

RICHARD BURMESTER

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San Mateo Ward

Young People Of Ward Win Honors At School And Church Activities

By Faye Noyes Stoker

Achievements, spiritual and temporal progress and awards for superior performances have enriched the lives of San Mateo Ward young people and their families.

This year is an eventful one in the lives of Linda and Stephen Player, children of Laura and Lynden L. Player.

Linda, a junior at Stanford has served as "Sweetheart of Sigma Chi," sponsor of Roble Hall and Junior Quad Queen. She became engaged to Roch Conklin, vice-president of Sigma Chi and football center, and they were married in the Palo Alto Ward Chapel June 14.

Most thrilling of all to the young couple have been their weekly studies with the stake missionaries. Roch has accepted the Gospel and was baptized and confirmed a member of the Church by Dr. Llewellyn P. Leigh of Palo Aleo on May 3-4. Roch is the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Conklin of Fullertoin, Calif. Linda and Roch will continue thir studies at Stanford next year.

Steve Player was busy in his junior year at San Mateo High School, active in sports and student body affairs. He was nominated to Boys' State, but declined this opportunity when he was chosen a summer exchange student to Norway by the American Field Service. Steve is secretary of his Priests' Quorum in the ward.

Carla and Dick Burmester are children of Cora and Larry Burmester. Carla was graduated from Brigham Young University in June. She made the Phi Kappa Phi, National Honorary Society. She was also one of five young people in the nation to be awarded a fellowship through a grant made to the YMCA for doing graduate work in psychology at San Francisco State College. Statistics show that where there is an active YMCA, juvenile delinquency is low. The San Mateo "Y" center is to serve as a pattern for this organization throughout the world. The five fellows on this grant will be observing and working with the local unit along with their graduate work at San Francisco State College.

Dick Burmester was elected Associated Boy Students' president for his senior year at San Mateo High School.

JoAnne Stoker, daughter of President William L. and and Faye Stoker was elected one of five Varsity Pom Pom girls for her senior year next year.

Carol Bates, daughter of Royal and Reatha Bates was graduated from San Mateo High School along with LeAnn Cagle and Gerda Peterson. Carol is an accomplished violinist and for this talent was awarded the Bank of America Award given to San Mateo High in the field of fine arts. Carol will attend San Francisco State College next year as a limited student along with some concentrated private study on the violin. The following year she hopes to enter Julliard Conservatory of Music. Graduation from this conservatory will give her a cetificate to teach music at the college level.

be well out in front when honors them," LDS young people seem to be well otu in front when honors and awards are being passed out as the Messenger well attests each month.

Oakland Fourth Ward

Calendars Sold To Raise Funds

By Vera Johnston

Birthday calendars are being sold in the Oakland Fourth Ward in order to raise $1,000 for the building fund by July 15. The cost is $2.50 per family, for which all birthdays and anniversaries are printed.

Nine young men and young women members of the District Youth chorus attended June MIA conference in Salt Lake City and joined almost 700 others to sing for the Sunday afternoon general session. YWMIA President June Castle and YMMIA Superintendent Dale Roe attended conference sessions Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Marion G. Stephens is in charge of a High Priests' project to help secure work for people who are unable to accept heavy long-term labor. Scrap paper and rags are to be left at the chapel for this stake-wide money making project. Those who have big loads of paper or rags, or who are unable to bring their collections to the chapel, are invited to call a member of the High Priests' quorum. Anyone wishing to go on a mission but needs financial help is invited to see a member of the quorum.

Jean Bromwell Ely's husband, Ray, of Los Angeles, has been elected Senior class president at the BYU.

Herman and Francine DeVries are back from Utah where they spent their vacation and also attended graduation exercises at the BYU, where their son was graduated.

Women of the Fourth Ward unit of the Daughters of Utah Pioneers received their membership cards at their May meeting. Others who are eligible and wish to join are asked to see Nellie Farr or Myrtle Famariss.

Mae Donahgy, her sister, their partners, and four couples from Santa Monica stake did between 40 and 50 marriage-sealings and 137 sealings of children to parents during an evening of temple work at Los Angeles.

Alice Halgren has moved to Salt Lake City and is living with her daughter.

Primary officers and teachers presented a lively program after the ward dinner in May. A fashion show gave the audience an idea of what the new "sack look" had to offer. The dropped waistline, the chemise, and the unfiinished look, produced gales of laughter.

A few weeks later the young men and young women MIA officers and teachers presented a softball game that rated high on the laugh-meter. The game was at Roberts Park. The ladies had big, flowing black bloomers with huge patches, white blouses, ties, caps and half-socks. Men wore their usual "sport" clothing. Rules were difficult for the men to follow. Men claimed the first game by a forfeit. The women claimed that in the second game they "edged out" the young men, 76 to 0.

Redwood City Ward

Closing Social Is 'Sloppy' Affair

By Gay Taylor

A patio breakfast featuring sloppy joes and sloppy janes marked the closing social for the Redwood City Relief Society. The ladies wore garden clothes or a burlesque thereof, such as Marcille Sorensen's overalls with gaudy patches.

Naomi Bodily easily won first prize—a steel trowel—in a burlap sack garnished with a radish and carrot corsage. "Glamour for the Garden" read her sign attached to a bamboo rake, "a gardening sack for an old bag."

The sloppy janes enjoyed a short program: a musical medley by Barbara Wallace; "The Perfect Day" sung by Connie Bonn, and a most apropros readings "Just As I Am" by Thelma Curtis—and then ate their sloppy joes with salads and fixings.

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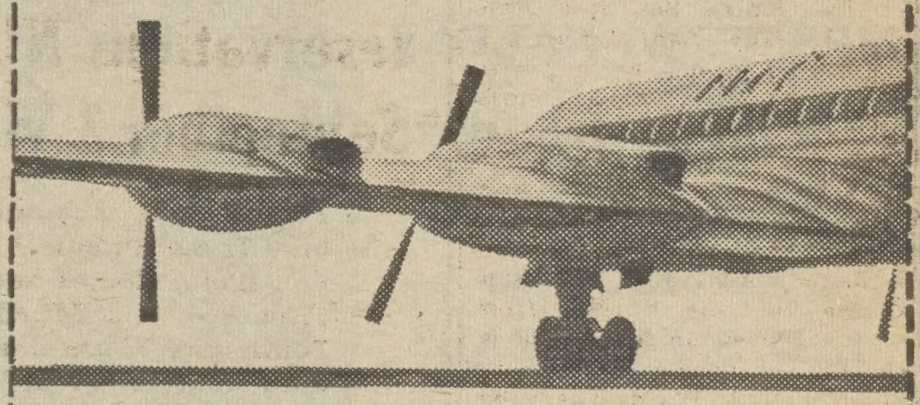

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FIRST IN STAKE to received the Duty to God award was Todd Weaver of Redwood City ward, San Mateo stake, (right). Making the presentation of medal and certificate is John G. Weaver, of the bishopric.

San Mateo Stake

1st Duty To God Award Presented

The first Duty to God award in the history of Redwood City ward and of San Mateo stake was presented Sunday, June 15, at sacrament meeting of the ward.

Recipient of the honor was Todd Weaver, a Priest and Explorer, who has been eligible for this hard-earned honor since his 16th birthday last September. The medal and certificate were presented by John G. Weaver of the bishopric.

The award is given to scouts who have been faithful in their religious duties, in scouting and MIA, and who have qualified for four years for Individual Aaronic Priesthood awards.

For the past four years Todd Weaver has had a perfect attendance record at priesthood meeting, Sunday school, and Sacrament meeting, in addition to his scouting activities.

Relief Society Groups Praised At Convention

Relief Societies of San Francsico and San Mateo Stakes, meeting in convention in the Stake House at 22nd and Laughton St., heard words of counsel and praise from both Relief Society and Priesthood leaders.

Evon Peterson and Mary R. Young represented the General Board in Salt Lake City and President Serge J. Lauper and President William Stoker, the priesthood. President Gladys R. Winter of San Francisco Stake, and President Beryl Warner of San Mateo Stake, conducted.

Sister Peterson, declaring that "we should fill our souls with the gospel and radiate it to others," explained that we save souls through educational programs as well as welfare.

Welfare basic projects were discussed and both stakes were honored for averages in Relief Society Magazine sales, San Francisco Stake having 105 per cent. The magazine is a unifying missionary force, Sister Peterson said.

Sister Young complimented San Francisco Stake for the excellent work done this year and the increase in group attendance, which was 35 per cent. She emphasized the value of music as a universal language and encouraged all to participate. In theology lessons she advised instructing people in the revelations and commandments and to build testimonies, and told of the importance of visiting teachers and the new literature lessons. She encouraged participation in all phases of the work.

The Singing Mothers provided two numbers. A message from the S. F. Stake Presidency was read by Patriarch Stephen H. Winter, praising the members for their assistance and completion of the sewing project. He reminded members that their activities are aimed at one thing—the saving of souls.

Lunch was served between meetings by former members of Stake Relief Society Board.

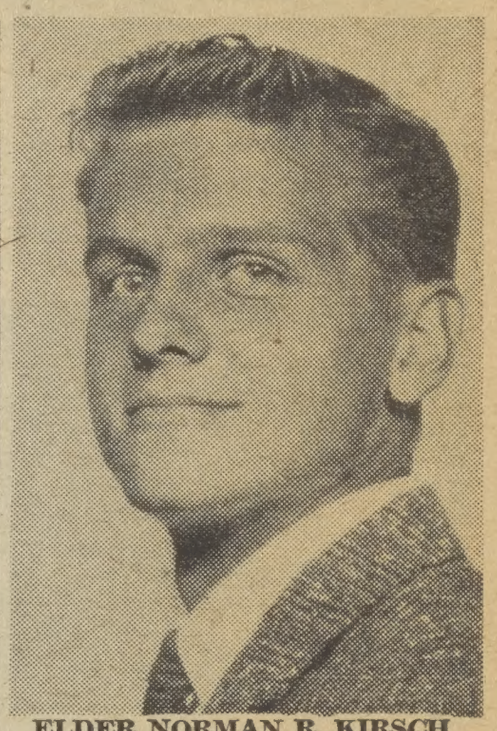
Menlo Park Ward

Central Atlantic States Mission Field Of Labor For Elder Kirsch

By Nell Hughes

Central Atlantic States Mission will be the field of labor for Norman Robert Kirsch whose farewell was held in the Menlo Park ward chapel Sunday, June 8. He left for the Salt Lake Mission Home following the farewell.

Norman is a convert to the Church, having become interested in the Church by his association with some of our young people. He decided this was the Church that he wanted to learn more about so attended Seminary classes and did a great deal of investigation. He has been an active member since his baptism and Menlo Park Ward is happy to have him as their eighth full-time missionary in the field.



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Helen Mackay, daughter of Allan and Edyth Mackay was elected vice president of the 1958-1959 Junior class at the BYU. Helen received many honors during her high school days in Cincinnati, Ohio, so is well qualified to fill her new position.

The Menlo Park Ward sponsored a concert given by "The Sharps," a youth chorus of the Seventh Day Adventist Academy on May 13. Root beer floats were served as refreshments.

The "Choraliers" of Menlo Atherton High School on June 10 presented a program at MIA meeting. There are three of our own boys and girls in this group of twelve who represent the best in vocal talent of the M-A high school.

Palo Alto Stake Mutuals will have a combined skating party once each month during the summer.

Menlo Park Primary graduated six girls June 15. Wendy Babbel, Elaine Davis, Karyne Donaldson, Jean and Joan Johnson and Faye Packer.

The Primary started their summer program with a party held June 18th, in the beautiful garden adjoining the Menlo Park ward chapel.

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San Francisco Stake

Fashion Show Is Gay Affair

Those who attended the outstanding Balboa Ward, San Francisco stake Relief Society luncheon and fashion show on May 24 had a wonderful time. The long tables and stage were decorated in delicate spring colors with nosegays gracing the tables. The attractive decorations were under the direction of Sister Rachel Greenland.

The luncheon consisted of hot turkey with dressing and gravy, jello fruit salad, hot rolls, and Boston Cream Pie. Thanks are extended to Eva Derrick, Mildred Calloway and Joanne Russen and all those who worked on this committee.

Sister Grace Gordon narrated the fashions modeled by members of Balboa Ward who sewed their own clothes. Thanks go to those who worked with the models, especially Helen Casper and Amanda Hurst. The models in the fashion show were: Miss Billie Raine, Ruth Marquardt, Claudia and Duane Pleskach, Teri and Julene Casper, Erlynn, Eric and Clint Ensign, Jimmy and Rebby Jensen, Kathryn and Dorothy Hayes, Susan Millward, Sydney Koubler, Corrine Cox, Pattie Salin, Bernice Pleskach, Amanda, Susan and Cheryl Hurst, Doris Jean and Jeanette Stevens, Mrs. Billie Raine, Cindy Stevenson, Lillian Anderson, Marjorie Russell, Harriette Polland, Nancy Salin, Donna Jensen, Carol , Janet, Leslie and Jackie Umland, Debbie Russell, Mary Ellen and Ricky Long, Bryann and Anita Barton, Carol Russell, Charlotte Cox, Jimmy and Kirsten Mauer. Sister Marge Snow is president of Balboa Relief Society.

SINGING MOTHERS of the Palo Alto Stake Relief Society, shown here, have inspired ward and stake groups with their beautiful music. Directed by Sister Ann Thomas, chorister and accompanied by Sister Jean Conrad, organist, the talented chorus has appeared at a number of functions recently, including the Stake Relief Society Convention and the Stake Quarterly Conference. "We are proud of our Singing Mothers," said Sister Ruby M. Dobbins, Relief Society president.

Saving Of Souls Is Theme Of SF Conference

Elders George Q. Morris and Alonzo B. Hatch, represented the general authorities of the Church from Salt Lake City, and spoke at the Saturday evening and Sunday services of the San Francisco Stake conference, June 7 and 8.

The theme of the conference was to help bring souls to our Savior and to help them to understand, then to live His principles. Only as an individual has had experiences with the Savior's divine teachings and made them a part of his life, is he on the way to eternal life and exaltation in the Celestial Kingdom of our Heavenly Father, the greatest and the most enduring kind of joy.

President Serge J. Lauper conducted. Other speakers were Elders Morris and Hatch, Irven G. Derrick, Carole J. Hoppe, James Scalmanini, Budge Hyde, B. H. Schettler, Wilford B. Murray, Wallace N. Allred and Theodore Curtis.

Sister Jean Lauper was director and Bonnie Lauper, pianist for the Youth choir which sang four selections.

The San Francisco stake house has been recently cleaned, painted and renovated inside and outside.

Balboa Ward

Raines Are Hosts To To High Priests

Ellis J. and Billie Raine were hosts to the Balboa Ward High Priests Group Sunday evening, June 1, at the Stake House.

Brother Raine, a member of the ward bishopric, related some interesting experiences of his Tahitian Mission.

Bishop R. J. Cummings, Sister Harold Jensen and Stephen H. Winter, stake patriarch, also contributed to the evening's entertainment.

Refreshments were served.

ED COSTA, son of Brother and Sister Edward G. Costa, members of Sunset Ward, has set a new California junior college high jump record of 6 feet 7¾ inches. Costa, of the City College of San Francisco also broke the CCSF of 6-6½ and last year set the San Francisco prep mark at 6-5. The 18-year-old 6 foot 2½ inch athlete is the grandson of Brother Hyrum Mecham, senior member of the San Francisco Stake High Council.

Palo Alto Stake

Musical 'Night To Remember' Nets $500, Plus Fine Memories

The rain-thraetening clouds which caused the Palo Alto Stake's music festival of May 23 to be held indoors in Los Altos instead of outdoors in Menlo Park, as previously planned, had a silver lining nevertheless. The event, billed as "A Night to Remember", brought in approximately $500 above expenses and was an outstanding musical treat, long to be remembered.

Contributing to the quality of the program was the soprano voice of Carole Larsen, soloist and a resident of Los Altos. Of American-Norwegian lineage, this young singer already has received international recognition for her concert, radio, and operatic performances in the United States, Canada, and Europe.

The stake's music festival featured famous Mormon hymns, together with narrations on their origin. The pleasantly diversified program consisted also of numbers by the combined stake chorus, Men's chorus, Mutual chorus, and "Singing Mothers," and various combinations of these groups which, in some instances accompanied Miss Larsen. Ann Thomas, as chorister, directed the program.

Sharp Park Branch

Branch Honored For Attendance

By Agnes Jean Babcock

Stake board members in full force conducted Sunday School at the Sharp Park Branch on May 25. This privilege was afforded the branch as a result of the branch personnel's 100 per cent attendance

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New Baptisms In SF Stake

The San Francisco Stake welcomes the following new members, baptized during May, 1958.

Bay Ward—Helen Sanders, Gaye Quigg and Mary Ellen Piercy.

Balboa Ward—Beverly Jean Moore, Ronald Eugene Ankrom, Virginia Lee Shipp, Peter Pluskach and Robert Byron Devaux.

Mission Ward—Frederick Joseph Benkosky, Maurice Joseph Bennett, Jr., Dean Davis Cook and Tony Lorenzo Pulanco.

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Mission Ward

Relief Society Gives Aprons As Ward Fund Bank

By Elverda Henry

Relief Society members of Mission Ward, represented by their president Emma M. Draper presented two barbecue aprons made by Velna Politis, to Bishop Vinal R, Lefler (for him and his wife) to be used in a project to secure a new sound system for the ward building at Sacrament meeting on June 15. Each apron has small patches sewed on into which the donations will be placed. Those wishing to donate can contact sister Draper, (AT. 2-8147) or Bishop Lefler.

Rex B. Child was home on leave for three weeks from his base at Fyndall, Florida.

Rebekah Swenson and Sandra Alister on May 30 went with the Sunset Ward excursion to the Temple in Los Angeles to do baptisms for the dead.

The following Seagull girls were graduated from primary into the MIA June 1: Shelia Larson, Nancy Olsen, Cherie Mauradian, Ann Marie Ellingsen, Carrie Culver, Joanne Earnshaw, Linda Romero, Judy Samuelsen, Maureen Farris, Lillian Unger, Helen Petersen. Their faithful teacher for the past year was Elizabeth Young.

Starting June 18th and every Wednesday thereafter primary is being held at 10:30 a.m. to 12 noon during the summer months.

The Relief Society held its closing party June 2. Work meeting will be held the second Tuesday at 10 a.m. each month during the summer.

Joseph L. Lauper, former bishop of Mission ward, was made bishop in Charleston, South Carolina, where he and his wife reside.

Gayle Breitenbuecher returned to her home here June 14 after attending the BYU the past year. While there she met and became engaged to Max Anderson from Corrine, Utah. They plan a Temple marriage for September after which she plans to finish school at the BYU.

We welcome into the ward Tony L. Pulanco and Dean Davis Cook who were confirmed June 1.

Changes in ward organizations: Releases; Sunday school, Norman Lefler, Nancy Miller, Venna Smith, Joyce Champion, MIA, Thelma Nawahine, Connie Wells. Sustains: Sunday school teachers, George H. Scott, Anthony Broughton. Joan Libby, sports director; Ellene Politis, music director, in the MIA.

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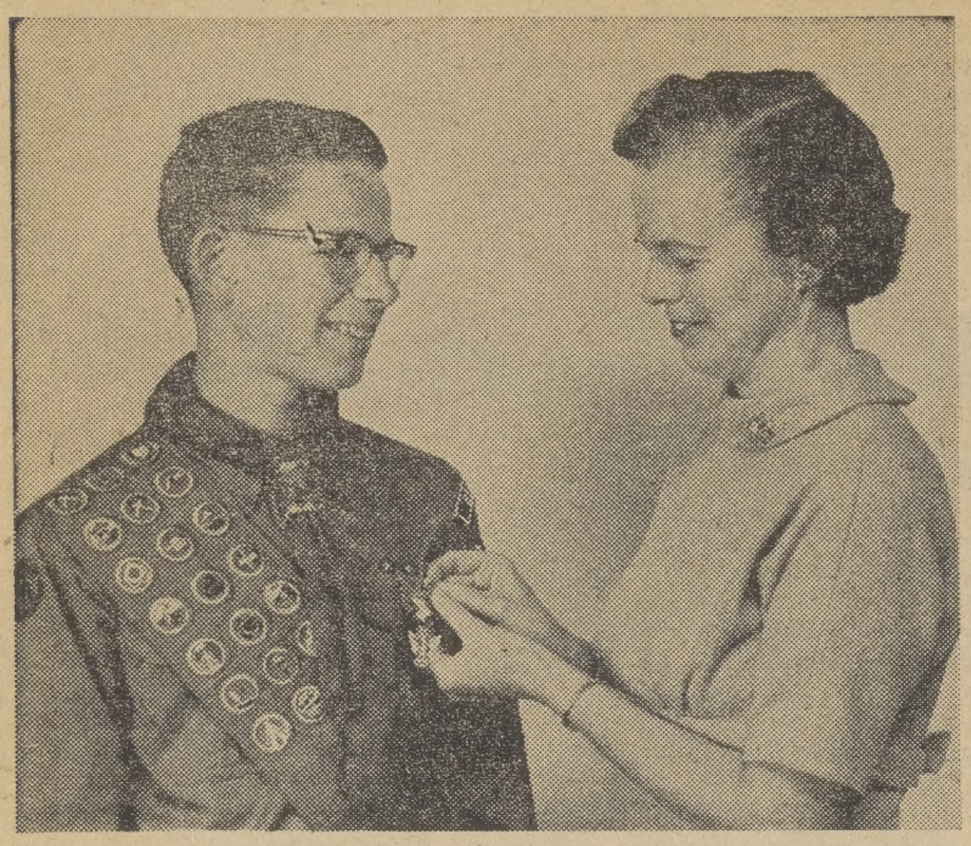


LORIN R. THOMPSON, 14, of El Cerrito, has Eagle Scout badge pinned on him by his mother, Mrs. C. Ray Thompson.

Los Altos Ward

K. Christiansen Rites Impressive

Funeral services held in Los Altos, June 3, for Elder Keith Christiansen were marked by impressive eulogies, a n unusually large attendance that overflowed the Spanglar Mortuary Chapel, and a profusion of floral offerings.

Elder Christiansen, 38, was born in Utah and was active in the Church at an early age. He entered the Air Corps in 1941, serving until 1945 after which he attended the Graduate School of Business at Stanford University. In recent years he has been employment manager at the Palo Alto plant of Varian Associates.

Since 1952 Elder Christiansen has been an active member of the Los Altos Ward, first as financial clerk and later, during the construction of its chapel, as clerk for that project. Funeral services, at which Bishop Gerald Sharp officiated, included an opening prayer by John Reed, tributes by Lyle B. Egan and G. Emerson McOmber, and a closiny prayer by William Erwin.

Interment was at Golden Gate Cemetery, San Bruno, Calif. Elder Christiansen is survived by his wife, Virginia, twin 5-year-old adopted daughters, his mother, and three brothers.

Berkeley Second

Lorin Thompson Is Eagle Scout

One of Scouting's highest honors—the Eagle Scout Award—has been conferred upon Lorin R. Thompson, 14-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. C. Ray Thompson, of 44 Ansen Way, El Cerrito.

The award was made at court of honor given by Troop 38, which is sponsored by the Berkeley Second Ward and the presentation was made at the chapel.

Presiding officer was C. Ray Balmforth, assistant Scout executive of the Mount Diablo Council, and also a member of the Second Ward. The presentation was made by Robert Johnson, Lorin's first Scoutmaster, and presently acting as district field commissioner for cubbing. The badge was pinned on by Lorin's mother.

Lorin is the first member of Troop 38 to attain the rank of Eagle Scout and one of the few Scouts to reach that rank at such an early age.

In addition to his own activities in the troop, Lorin assists his father, who is assistant Scoutmaster, in training new members of the troop in the 11 to 12-year-old age bracket.

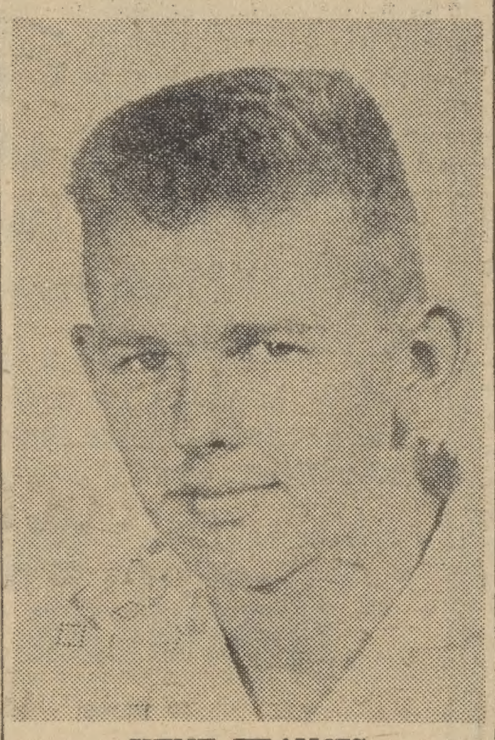
Kent Francis Wins High Honor; Receives Duty To God Award

By Dallas S. Burch

Richard Kent Francis, 16, a member of the priests' quorum in the Los Altos Ward received outstanding recognition at Sacrament Meeting, June 8. The honor was in the form of the difficult-to-obtain Duty-to-God badge and certificate, representing superior performance in many church duties.

To qualify one must have been faithful: In attendance at quorum meetings, in filling priesthood assignments, attending sacrament meetings, observing the Word of Wisdom, paying tithing, assisting the Sunday School, and participating in YMMIA activities, one of which is the Boy Scout program. Kent Francis met all these requirements.

The badge is symbolic of LDS tradition and aspirations. Under the words, "Duty to God," a medallion supported by a ribbon portrays the Salt Lake Temple superimposed on a buffalo skull which, in pioneer days was the trail sign to the land of promise. Thus the badge is an emblem of faith combined with perseverance. The certificate that accompanies it sets forth the name of the holder, his accomplishments, and the signatures of sponsoring officials. Kent Francis is the first young man to receive this honor from the Los Altos Ward. However, Emerson McOmber, another ward member, qualified for and received the same honor while previously a member of a ward in Idaho.



KENT FRANCIS

Mark H. Greene Dies In Oakland

Brother Mark H. Greene of Oakland Ward, passed away June 3 at his home, 2122 Lakeshore Ave., Oakland, while he was doing some painting. Death came suddenly to Brother Greene and thus closed a life which would be decribed a success by anyone who knew him.

To those people who knew him on Wilson Avenue in Salt Lake City as a neighbor and as a member of Richards Ward . . .he was a hardworking, ambitious father and loving husband to Alice Dunford. He was a devoted son of Alva Alphonso Greene and Mary Hindley. of American Fork, where he was born Dec. 12, 1888. He was the father of five children: Alva D. Greene, bishop, Boise, Idaho; Lovina G. Harmsen, scchoolteacher, Salt Lake City; D. Forrest Greene, bishop of Bay Ward, San Francisco; Dr. Mark H. Greene Jr.,physician and surgeon, Salt Lake City, Utah, and Gloria G. Kimball of Walnut Creek. He leaves 18 grandchildren and one great grandchild.

To those who knew him as a university man . . . he was a graduate of Utah State and University of Wisconsin . . . and as "the professor" at the U of U from 1920-1943 . . . and professor at the Golden Gate College . . . he was a warm, earnest, practical teacher of economics, marketing, and investments, who could keep your interests high by his reports and stories of his experiences in the business world.

MARK H. GREENE

To those who knew of his activities in the financial world, he was a self-made man who was able to apply the theories which he taught in college to the business world with eminent success. At his death he was the president of the West American Finance Co. which has extensive holdings of Bay area real estate and also associated with D. F. Greene and Co. who are associated with the Pacific Coast Stock Exchange.

To those who knew him as the price officer for the Office of Price Administration for the State of Utah during World War II and later was with the Price Stabilization in California only praise can be given for his work.

To those who knew him as a missionary for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Great Britain, along with his two sons. He was active in the Sunday School Board and a faithful member of his High Priest Quorum at the time of his death.

But to those who knew Brother Greene most intimately, his greatest success was in being the father of a fine happy family all of whom are active in the church, while at the same time he found time to serve his country, his fellow men, and his God.

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My Testimony

By Mabel B. Liddell

"For behold, you should not have feared man more than God Although men set at naught the counsels of God and despise his works, yet you should have been faithful." D.&C. 3:7,8

What sorrow we bring to ourselves and our loved ones when we set at naught the counsels of God and "follow the crowd"!' Latter Day Saints are given a high and noble calling—to lead and inspire, not to weakly submit to popular trends. Our kind, loving Heavenly Father has given us commandments **for our protection;** not to deprive us. Self discipline is the whole soul of freedom and happiness.

The following incident is one of the many interesting experiences of Elder Harold Hickenlooper of Sunset Ward, one that can well give us cause to ponder and also to realize that a true Latter-day Saint is always on a mission, whether in business or in church.

"In my business I meet with many people in their homes and very often the opportunity arises to do a little missionary work. One incident I remember well. One evening when calling at a very nicely furnished home, I was greeted by a young man of about 30 or 35 years. He invited me in and explained that his wife was not feeling well—that she had a bad cold and had retired early, so the two of us had a pleasant little chat. In the course of the conversation, I was quite surprised to learn that he was a native of Utah and had been baptized and reared as a Latter-day Saint.

"I INVITED" HIM to bring his wife and come join with us in our ward activities, that we might all get better acquainted. He then informed me that his wife was not a member of the Church and that he had drifted away from the Church teachings. Since his occupation was that of a salesman, he felt that he needed to drink a little on occasion in order to be socially acceptable. For the same reason he drank coffee with his clients at coffee breaks and smoked cigarettes when they were offered him.

"I reasoned with him, pointing out the fact that **he knew better** than to dabble with tobacco and liquor; that he knew what the Word of Wisdom was. For people who hadn't been taught these things, it was quite different.

"In response to my invitation to come to Church on Sunday, he remonstrated that he owned a boat and Sunday was the **only** day he could go out in it. He added, "You know it wouldn't be any fun to go out in a boat without a few cans of beer of a fifth of whiskey!"

"ANOTHER ARGUMENT he raised in protest to Church activity was that he couldn't possibly afford to pay tithing with all the expenses he had to meet in keeping up a front as a successful salesman.

"As I left I told him that I had enjoyed visiting with him and cautioned him to give some serious consideration to the things we had been discussing, that he was too nice a fellow to be doing the things he was.

"About three months after my visit, his lifeless body was sighted by the Coast Guard, floating in the ocean off the coast. A day or two thereafter his empty boat was found drifting off the shore of the Farallones, right side up, with no evidence of damage or mechanical failure. In it were empty liquor containers—and the only explanation offered for his death was that he had been drunk and had fallen overboard.

"WHEN HIS WIFE, a lovely person, was called by the coroner's office to identfy the body, it so happened that the undertaker who had been called in, was a Mormon Bishop. Turning to him she explained that even though she had known her husband was a Mormon, she had never known of the Church teachings in regard to liquor and tobacco until an evening a few months previously, when one of the men from the Church had called at their home. She said she had a bad cold that evening, but had listened to the conversation from her bed in an adjoining room.

"Through tear-filled eyes, she cried, "Oh Bishop, if my husband had only listened to that man, he would be alive today!"

Claremont Ward

Relief Society Honors Leaders At Final Meeting

By Lenore Wood

The closing meeting of Claremont Ward Relief Society was used to honor its past presidents. This took place on May 27 and a special invitation was sent to 10 women who had presided over the organization during the past 20 years.

Though several are now living as far away as Sacramento and and Fresno, nine responded and took their places. These included, in order of service, Lenore Wood, Geneva Hess, Miriam Ellsworth, Elizabeth Bybee, Venita Winward, Elvira Farrell, Pearl Meine, Rose Gleason, and LaVern Gaisford Bain. The only one missing was Sister Viorene Wardle who is now living in Fresno. Each was presented with a carnation corsage.

Following the Social Service lesson led by Sister Ruth Crownover, a special program was presented. This included a duet by Sisters Lilly Blackburn and Belva Tschudy called "Our Relief Society" with words and music composed by Sister Eudora Morgan. A Reading, "A Tribute to Our Mothers" was given by Sister Merle Watts. Sister Eudora Morgan gave an original poem on the year's activitties. Each past-president spoke briefly about something outstanding in her experience as president.

A HIGHLIGHT of the occasion was the presentation of a beautiful wall clock to the Claremont Relief Society by the Oakland Ward Relief Society. Sister Ruby Addis, president, presented the elegant gift, in behalf of her organization. This token will long remind us of the pleasant and close association we have had with the Oakland

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Branch Honored

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at Stake Preparation meeting at San Mateo in March.

Any ward can earn this one Sunday of rest from Sunday School duties by similar attendance at preparation meeting.

Brother and Sister Maurice G. Loaders of Moss Beach, announce the marriage of their daughter, Carmin, to Richard Martin, of Palo Alto. The ceremony took place in the Salt Lake Temple and the couple flew to New York for their honeymoon. A reception was held in their honor at the Burlingame Ward Chapel.

Parents of both bride and bridegroom accompanied them to Salt Lake City, as did Eleanor Loader, the bride's sister.

Carmin's wedding gown was made from white taffeta with lace covering.

The bridegroom, an active member of the Palo Alto Ward, is employed by Trans-World Airlines, San Francisco Airport.

The bride taught in the Junior Sunday School of the Sharp Park Branch for several years, then became a Senior Sunday School teacher. Recently she also held the position of YWMIA secretary.

Carmin and Richard are making their home at 984 Cedar Street, San Carlos Ward.

Four From San Francisco Ward On Latin American Ballet Tour

Gordon D. Paxman of the San Francisco Stake High Council, Gerrie Bucher, Michael Smuin, and Kent Stowell, all members of the San Francisco Ward, left with the San Francisco Ballet June 12 via Pan American Airways for a three-and-a-half month Latin American tour through 16 countries.

Elder Paxman, ballet master with the troupe, is a former member of the San Francisco Ward Bishopric. Although very busy with the ballet group, he loves the Church and continues faithful performance of his high council assignments.

The 33-member group will open in Caracas, Venezuela, and perform in 30 cities.

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San Francisco Stake

Balboa Second Offers Summer Genealogy Aid

"So proudly we serve" might well be the slogan of Elder Simon Downs, chairman of the city-wide genealogy class of Balboa Second, when he started plans for "Make the Most of Vacation Time" if you stay at home after July and August.

The 20-weeks brush-up course with Sister E. Schier, San Francisco stake consultant, produced many fine new students and these members volunteered to interview and assist beginners duing the summer. A questionaire was distributed at the closing "San Francisco Program" and the success was repeated as a genealogy program on Fathers Day. Brother Evan Hunter was the cameraman. Bishop and Sister Edgar Williams attended.

J. William Stull, retiring secretary for SF Stake, announced that Joseph Greenland is the new stake genealogy chairman and Mrs. E. Schier reappointed as consultant.

Chairman Downs stressed the need for a three-dimensional policy in genealogy work—a firm personal attitude with your own work in good form, abundant surplus knowledge to aid the student, and more than a working knowledge, with experience to add color. Genealogy cannot be taught by rote, he emphasized.

The San Francisco Reference revised, has 238 pages of selected class aids and will be available for all classes.

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Oakland

BONNIE LAUPER, 14-year-old daughter of President and Mrs. Serge J. Lauper of San Francisco Stake, has won a scholarship to the San Francisco Conservatory of Music. Bonnie, organist in Sunset, Ward, member of a girls vocal trio and vice president of Fireside, is entitled to a year of study with her present teacher, as a result of winning the scholarship.

Ray Woffinden Dies Suddenly In Richmond

Richmond Ward members have been saddened by the loss of Elder Ray Stanley Woffinden, who died suddenly on June 13 at his home, 5781 Sierra Avenue.

A native of Lehi, Utah, Elder Woffinden was 38 and had lived in Richmond nine years.

Although his participation in Church activities was limited because of a heart condition present since childhood, Elder Woffinden was a faithful worker in his priesthood quorums and in ward teaching.

His invaluable contribution to the Richmond Ward Choir and his sincere humility and steadfast faith will be remembered by those who were privileged to sing with him and by many who were encouraged in their efforts by his example.

Bishop Harold E. De La Mare, Brothers Wallace Wightman and Robert Baker spoke at a service of remembrance in Richmond, June 15. Music was by the Richmond Ward Choir with Sister Alaine Wightman and Brother Timothy Morley as soloists.

In addition to his mother, brothers and sisters in Utah, Elder Woffinden is survived by his wife Evelyn, their daughter Barbara Jo and two sons, Kern Thomas and James Spencer Woffinden, all of Richmond.

Relief Society

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Ward.

Following the program a buffet luncheon was served from beautifully decorated tables. Many guests attended, including former Claremont ward members and it was indeed "Old Home Week." Sister Florence Heald who is the present Relief Society President with her officers and teachers deserve credit for a very happy closing party.

Congratulations to James Jay Tschudy on his fiine success at the University of California in Berkeley where he has just received his degree as doctor of philosophy.

His many friends in Claremont were delighted to learn of the graduation of David L. Wood who has received his M. D. in Southern California.

Sister Eline Stuhr is back in Claremont Ward. She is now making her home with Sister Florence Heald.

Brother and Sister Jim Witherspoon are happy over the arrival of a baby girl born June 18. Brother and Sister Witherspoon are active in Claremont Sunday School.

Liahona Camp Season Starts

All the fun, happy friendships, pep renewal, and spiritual awakenings that go with the Bay Area Stakes' girls encampments in the Sierras at the Liahona Club's lodge and camp are in full swing.

A. D. Ericksen, chairman of the club's camp committee and Sid Feller, together with Arthur L. Hopkins and Jack Evans from the Oakland-Berkeley Stake and the other participating stakes including San Joaquin Stake and its enthusiastic 'Chuck' Stamp sawed, hammered and dug "like mad" several week-ends in June.

Results: A big new kitchen, new showers and new toilet facilities, and a new look on all the standing structures as needed such as a new smoke stack atop the fireplace chimney. Roads were renewed and some new ones built by tireless Brother Kersey of Rodeo Ward.

The camp now has better water pressure from having connected with the big storage tank on the mountainside behind the camp.

Everything is in good condition.

Here's the schedule: July 9-15, Oakland-Berkeley Stake; July 15-21, Walnut Creek Stake; July 21-Aug. 2, San Mateo Stake; Aug. 4-9, Palo Alto Stake.

Mrs. Lee Lauded For Club Efforts

The Alta Mira Club of San Leandro just completed a year of outstanding accomplishment, and members are agreed that a large share of the credit is due Mrs. Robert Lee, an active Latter-day Saint, who has been president during the past year. At the final business meeting, following reports, a standing ovation was given in recognition of the progress made.

Accomplishments included initiation of 35 new members, increased activities, the $20,000 refurbishing of the clubhouse, a public open house, many social functions and entertainments, philanthropic activities including welfare work and giving of more than $1,000 to charity, the naming of Mrs. Jerrine Lucas as "Teacher of the Year, the winning of first award for club pressbook in the district and firs in the state for Area B and many others.

Mrs. Lee installed Mrs. Stanley Silverthorne as president and other officers at a luncheon May 26.

At the state convention Mrs. Anna L. Dorrington Davis, an elementary teacher from Compton, was named Teacher of the Year. A native of Utah, Mrs. Davis was born in Sugarhouse Ward, later settling with her family in Southern California. Her relatives in Utah are the Thompson and Naylor families.

2 Weekly Meetings For Relief Society

The Relief Society of the Menlo Park Ward is unusual in that it holds two meetings each week. The young mothers like to attend in the evening while Father sits with the small ones at home, and another group of women prefer to meet in the daytime.

To accommodate both groups two meetings are held, one Monday evening and one Wednesday morning. The same president and counselors serve both groups, as do most of the teachers.

Mrs. Ruth Hales, president, was honored at a recent meeting the story being "The House of Ruth," written and narrated by Ruby Baker. Husbands attended the finale of the social science class.

Berkeley First Ward

Dr. Crowther Elected Head Of Rotary Club

By Dorothy Perry

Brother Hearl L. Crowther, DDS, was elected as president of the San Leandro Rotary Club. Installation will be at a dinner dance at which Margaret Crowther is being installed as president of Rotary Annes.

The MIA Special Interest class of Berkeley First Ward will continue, by request, as an open discussion on various thoughts presented by Dr. Lowell Bennion in his recent lectures.

Brother Fred M' , who had been ill for months, passed away recently.

Layna and Blaine Larson-Crowther are now living in Arlington Village, Virginia. Both are students at George Washington University in Washington, D. C. where Blaine is studying physiology, art and writing and Layna is getting her doctorate in child development. They are the son and daughter-in-law of Margaret and Hearl Crowther.

Russell and Hazel Ball of Albuqurque, N. M., were here for a visit with his parents, Patriarch Isaac B. Ball and Rachel H Ball. Russell also was attending a four-day conference with top leaders of the Atomic Energy Commission, of which he is an official.

Alice Jasene Hanson represented Oakland-Berkeley Stake at the June Conference, and took part in the Mia Maid Rose Tie. Jasene is a recent convert and the ward is proud of her accomplishments.

On behalf of the bishopric and ward members we say a regretful goodbye to all the wonderful college students who left at the end of the University of California Term. We Enjoyed and appreciated them very much.

Heartfelt thanks are extended to Brother and Sister J. Ed Johnson for their hospitality on June 21 when they held a barbecue at the Johnson ranch in Orinda for Berkeley First, Second and Claremont wards. More than 300 enjoyed barbecued beef and beans. Berkeley First served buns and punch. Brother Paul Eiven in his talented way led in square dancing.

It is a pleasure to greet the large group of students returning from Brigham Young University. Welcome Home.

Sister Wanda Painter, who is moving to Washington, D. C., was released as Relief Society work counselor. Sister Elna Pulley, who last year was in charge of the luncheons, is the new counselor.

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Oakland-Berkeley Stake

Greater Mission Effort Urged By Paul Summerhays

Paul Summerhays, president of the Oakland-Berkeley Stake Mission, announces that the 67 members of the Stake Mission are looking forward to the summer months with great anticipation, hopeful of a "summer harvest." He cited two encouraging verses from the Doctrine and Covenants:

"Remember the worth of souls is great in the sight of God." D&C Sec. 18 Verse 10.

"Behold, the field is white already to harvest, therefore, whoso desireth to reap let him thrust in his sickle with his might and reap while the day lasts, that he might treasure up for his soul everlasting salvation in the Kingdom of God." D&C Sec. 14, Verse 3.

"We will have to merrily put our shoulders to the wheel in order to reach the goal of 100 baptisms which we hope to attain this year with the help of the Lord and the loyal support of our fellow members in the Church," said Brother Summerhays. He pointed out that there were 39 baptisms credited to the missionaries during the first five months of 1958.

Urging members of the stake to say "yes" to their bishops when they are called, Brother Summerhays said that there are approximately 598,000 non-members living within the stake boundaries. There are 67 stake missionaries, or one missionary for each 9,000 persons.

GAYLE EVANS, pretty daughter of Jack and Elaine Evans, of Berkeley Second Ward, was doubly honored at Garfield Junior High School this year. Gayle portrayed the leading feminine role in the operetta, "The Pirates of Penzance," and was elected Girls Association president for the coming fall term. The male lead was taken by Stephen Baer, talented son of Ted and Mavis Baer of Berkeley First Ward. Three performances were given.

Bennion, Blackham On Summer Faculty

Dr. Lowell L. Bennion, director of the Institute of Religion for the Church at the University of Utah, and Dr. Garth J. Blackham, psychologist of the Child Study and Constultation Service in Phoenix, Ariz., will be guest educators at Brigham Young University Summer School this year. Dr. Bennion is the author of two books on religion and a number of study manuals used by auxiliary organizations.

Palo Alto Stake

Righteous Living Is Accented At Palo Alto Stake Conference

By Dallas S. Burch

Inspiring addresses by Elders Mark E. Petersen, of the Council of the Twelve, and of A. Lewis Elggren, Church welfare representative, added luster to the Quarterly Conference of the Palo Alto Stake, held May 24 and 25. Receiving particular emphasis by several speakers was the value of righteous living, both as a basis for true happiness and as insurance against the uncertainties of the future. Other topics receiving prominent attention were the welfare program and the importance of keeping adequate records.

The conference opened Saturday afternoon in the Palo Alto chapel where Elder Elggren met with welfare workers of the stake's wards. He pointed out that, although general welfare policies are established at Church headquarters in Salt Lake City, ward bishops nevertheless have latitude in dealing with specific problems. Addressing a priesthood meeting the same day, Elder Petersen discussed the problem of activating inactive members, particularly those holding the Senior Aaronic priesthood. He emphasized the value of records showing the abilities and talents of members as a basis for their integration into ward activities.

AT THE GENERAL session of the conference, held in the Los Altos chapel, Stake President David B. Haight acknowledged with appeciation the personal influence of Elder Petersen on his life. He announced that John Davis, a member of the stake high council, was to join the faculty of Brigham Young University.

In a brief address Davis gave assurance of divine influence in human affairs, and urged unselfishness and service to one another. He advised that one could be "concerned about the world without need to worry about it." Bishop Claytor E. Chantrill, of the Sunnyvale Second Ward, spoke of the influence of the Church on his life and testified to changes he had observed in persons who had been called to positions of responsiblity.

Ida Smith, Palo Alto Stake missionary, stressed humbleness as the basis of the strength of Church officers. She advises reading the Book of Mormon as the means of gaining a firm testimony. Lund A. Johnson, of the Stake Presidency, described truth, wisdom, and love as qualities to seek and develop and then urged goodness as an additional attribute to incorporate in one's life. "Like virtue" he declared, "goodness is its own reward. Paul called it charity."

ELDER ELGGREN, representing the General Church Welfare Committee, discussed the importance of preparing for periods of sickness, injury, or unemployment. Stating that the Church storehouses are mainly for helping the worthy poor, he added that about four per cent of its members can now be cared for from that source. He confirmed, as good counsel, the advice of Church leaders to store a year's supply of food and other basic necessities. As further bulwarks against misfortune he urged: Avoid unnecessary debt; save against the proverbial rainy day; and live righteously. He declared that a relationship exists betweeen righteous living and the resulting degree of prosperity, and cited the Book of Mormon as confirming evidence.

Elder Petersen developed further the theme of goodness and righteous living and its application in personal conduct. He reminded his listeners that they influence others by acts as well as by words.

At the afternoon session, the two youth speakers, Colleen Smith and Kent Francis, responded to requests from the stand to address the conference extemporaneously. Colleen described a discussion of religion by a youth group, which led to a desire to know more of LDS gospel. Kent spoke on the basis of his testimony. Richard Sonne, of the Stake Presidency, reviewed events leading to the production of the Book of Mormon and its influence on conversions.

Speakers at the afternoon session included Elders Petersen and Ellgren, Richard Sonne of the stake presidency, William Osmond of the stake High Council.

Music by the combined ward choirs and the congregation, under direction of Ann Thomas, added to the spiritual uplift of the messages.

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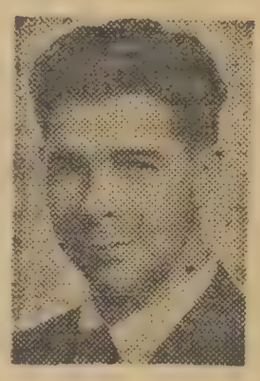

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'Hello, Goodbye And Well Done' Are Ward Bywords For The Month

By Catherine O'Connor

Homecomings, promotions and farewells have highlighted recent weeks for members of the Richmond Ward.

Welcomed home for the summer from Brigham Young University have been Marilyn Ballard, daughter of Sister Elma Ballard; Jean Tidwell, daughter of Stake Missionary and Sister Allen Tidwell, and Gerald Gengler, whose parents are Brother and Sister Kenneth P. Gengler.

Jean returned with members of Richmond Ward who sang in the Youth Chorus at June conference. Others participating were Sandy Bingham, Diane Bland, Loretta Johnson, Vivian and Annette Morley, Christie Pitcher and Donna Turner.

SIX PRIMARY GRADUATES, recently recognized at a Sacrament service program, now are active in YWMIA work. Speaking on what Primary classes have meant to them were Evelyn Chinn, Maren Elsasser, Janice Esperson, Lynda Uber and Cheryl Wightman. Each girl received a corsage from her mother and they were congratulated by Sister Alaine Wightman, speaking for the mothers, and Sister Helen Bailey, Home-builder teacher. Cheryl Wightman played a piano solo.

Primary President Thelma Hatt and Counselors Kitty Cecil and Norma Uber have announced that special Primary events are planned on Thursdays from 10:15 to 11:45 a.m. during the summer. Home-builders will have sewing projects, luncheons, hikes and other activities.

WITH SINCERE REGRET but, all good wishes, Richmond Ward has said farewell to three active and well-known families who sorely will be missed.

Ray and Leanore Robinson with their three daughters, have moved to Fresno. Brother Robinson has been chairman of the Genealogical Committee and has taught the Gospel Doctrine class, while his wife has been active in MIA and as a Relief Society teacher.

Transferring to Salt Lake City to become manager of his employers' new plant is Brother Merwyn Riddle, who has served as counselor in both the old East Richmond and in Richmond Ward Bishoprics. Sister Frances Riddle has served as Relief Society visiting teacher and has done many necessary but unheralded 'minuteman' jobs, always ready to assist when needed, according to Bishop Harold De La Mare. Their children are Janice and Lawrence.

The Hal Jay Pitcher family has been active in many ways and also is being transferred to Salt Lake City for business reasons.

Brother Pitcher has worked in the Quorum of Seventies and has served as clerk to the Bishopric. Sister Venna Pitcher, who has contributed valuable leadership to MIA for some time, now is president of YWMIA. Daughter Christie has served in Junior Sunday School and been accompanist in MIA. The other girls are Nancy, Venna Ann, Susan and Janae.

Speaking for the ward and the Bishopric, Bishop De La Mare extends sincere thanks for the "valuable contributions which each of these members has made to the healthy growth of Richmond Ward," and wishes them great happiness in the future.

DOROTHY COLTRIN, daughter of Mrs. Myrl Coltrin of Berkeley First Ward, who finished fifth scholastically in her Berkeley High School graduating class of 560, won two scholarships. Dorothy, who will attend the University of California at Davis, was awarded the US Regents Scholarship and the Florence Jones Scholarship. Dorothy will study home economics, specializing in food chemistry. She has been active in the MIA of her ward and librarian for the Sunday School.

Oakland Third Ward

Relief Society Sponsors Event To Raise Funds For Building

By Melva Rainey

More than 100 guests enjoyed an Oakland Third Ward Relief Society event at the home of Ruth Swanson at which June Smith reviewed the story of Macys, "The Price is Right."

Other highlights included floral arrangements, serving of dessert, two songs by Estherella Olszowski, organ music by Helen Houston. An arrangement of antherium from Hawaii made up by Ira Call was won as a door prize by Grace Brown from Oakland Ward. Money from the sale of tickets, made by Melva Rainey, was used for the building fund.

Mrs. Olga Smith announces the engagement of her daughter Karen to Larry Smith, son of Lottie and Dee Smith. Larry plans on fulfilling a mission for the Church before he will be married.

Kathy Kollenbaum has been in the hospital with pneumonia but has recovered . . . Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Van Noy have had a niece, Kay Lupher, visiting from Alt, Colorado . . . Lee Worley has returned from a trip to Los Angeles where she has been visiting her son and other relatives . . . Gertrude Wright has been visiting a short while in this vicinity. She had been in San Diego with her son Pat and family. A new grandchild has been added to the Wright family tree. President and Sister Wright are making their home in Minneapolis, Minn. . . . Don Van Noy has been made head information officer in the Air Force and is stationed at Wilmington, Ohio.

Welcome home our BYU students, Joe Allen, Cecil Henderson, Phil Shurtleff, Janet Gee, Nadine Sorenson and Joan Moody. New to the Ward are the Joseph Goulding family and Cecil Freeman . . . Congratulations to Ed Amsbough who was ordained a deacon . . . Ken Mathesom received an achievement merit of 100% attendance for 1957 . . . William Osborn was given an honorable release from the Sunday School Superintendency where he has served well for some time . . . Sherrill Shurtleff was made first Counsellor with Arden Allen as Second Counsellor to Kent Matney.

Don Russell has returned home after spending several months in Rochester, New York, studying. He was sustained as a Sunday School teacher. . . . Carl Decker has been sustained as Senior Aaronic Secretary with Joe Allen as teacher-advisor in the Aaronic Priesthood . . . Merlyn Swenson is home from the BYU where she has been serving as Librarian . . . Mr. and Mrs. Richard Bliss and daughter were guests of his parents Pearl and Art Bliss.

Dr. Herbert Ungricht and family are going to be missed in the ward. They are moving back to Salt Lake where Dr.Ungricht will again resume his practice in the Medical Arts Building on South Temple as a specialist in ophthalmology. The Ungricht family have been a great asset to our ward.

Mrs. Ronald "Bud" Stone and two children have just returned after a visit in Salt Lake City with Patricia's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Judd.

Brother and Sister H. A. Van Noy received word from their son, Lt. Don L. and wife, Eddie, that he is enjoying his service with Uncle Sam at the Clinton County Air Force Base at Wilmington, Ohio. He is chief ISO in charge of the information office at that base, as well as assistant mortuary officer, assistant personnel officer and base historian. The Van Noys drive 30 miles to attend church in Dayton, Ohio, where Don is counselor to the Sunday School superintendent and Eddie is a teacher. They send regards to their many friends.

Richmond Pair To Wed July 8

Brother and Sister Fred V. Hatt, 1724 Road Twenty, San Pablo, are announcing the engagement of their daughter, Judith Louise, to Elwood Brinkerhoff.

Both young people attended Richmond schools and Judy now is a senior at Richmond Union High School.

Elwood, a veteran of U.S. Army service and now employed in San Francisco, is a son of Brother and Sister Curtis Brinkerhoff, 13613 San Pablo Avenue.

Friday evening, July 18, is the date chosen for the wedding ceremony, which will be performed in the Richmond Ward chapel, Twenty-eighth Street and Nevin Avenue.

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Claremont Ward

Janelle Carr Tells Of Attending Hawaii School

By Janelle Carr

The best way to see and learn about a country is to live among its people and that is exactly what I and seven friends decided to do. After finishing winter quarter 1958 at Brigham Young University we were on our way with eager anticipation of what schooling at The Church College of Hawaii would be like. It was all we expected plus much more. From the moment we landed and during our entire stay we were treated with warm Alohas and Hawaiian hospitality. We were readily accepted by the native students and soon were incorporated into their activities.

The school is located in a small community, Laie, and is built right next door to the Temple. It was this aspect of our schooling that we especially enjoyed for we were away from all the hustle and bustle of the tourists and the social pressures they cause. This year the four hundred students enrolled were housed in temporary quarters consisting of remodled army surplus buildings but in the fall the college will occupy its new labor-missionary constructed $5 million dollar campus which is now nearing completion.

We found the saints, in general, very active and eager to progress in the gospel. They were thrilled when they learned about David O. McKay coming to the school to speak and for weeks the natives worked diligently cleaning their yards and painting their houses in the preparation of his arrival.

Living in the dormitory with the Hawaiians or polynesians certainly brought us much closer to them. We were able to learn first hand about many of their customs

JANELLE CARR

and traditions. Our new friends made certain that we were able to see and do everything in its own authentic setting. They planned many events and often arranged a special itinerary so that we would miss nothing.

It was with mixed emotions that we approached the end of the quarter, sad at having to leave our newly acquired friends and habitat, but happy because of the rich experiences we had enjoyed and the wonderful memories we had stored within us.

Californians Gain Scholarship Honor

Ten California students, including two from the six-stake Bay area, were among the top 110 scholars at Brigham Young University elected to Phi Kappa Phi, national honorary scholastic society. They were installed at the annual banquet at which Dr. Asahel D. Woodruff, dean of the College of Education, was speaker.

The Californians include Carla Brown Burmester, San Mateo; Noreen McClellan, Hayward; Reginald Coultas, Carmel; Frosty Ella Duerden, Downey; Patricia Henrie, Ventura; Roberta James, Camarillo; Dallas Mitchell, San Bernardino; Judith Sorenson, Alhambra, and Orin Wood, Big Creek.

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Alameda Ward

New Leadership At Sunday School

By Mildred Fontano

Alameda Ward's Sunday School is under the new leadership of Ray Jamison with William James Barber and Louis E. Engel as assistants. Beatrice H. Champion is secretary. Clare C. Hunt, former superintendent, is working as a stake missionary, his assistant, Rex Shaw, is working with the youth of the ward.

June 15 evening services were a farewell testimonial for Kendall Clayson, prior to his departure for the Eastern States mission. Kendall is a graduate of Alameda High school and son of William Nathan and Gladys Clayson. His older brother, Harold, filled a mission and his sister Gayleen filled a stake mission.

Our stake missionaries are doing a good job. We welcome two lovely women, Edith Evans and Rhoda Kludt, who were confirmed members, also one of Uncle Sam's Sailors, Joel Addison Oborne.

A large contingent of Sea Scouts, with their leaders, were entertained by Alameda ward members. These 30 young men from Salt Lake City came to try out ocean sailing.

The Relief Society closing party was held June 10. A book review by June Smith of Oakland Third followed a luncheon.

Mildred Fralick of the Relief Society presidency, who was hospitalized at Letterman, in San Francisco, is better and is able to be home.

Johanna Herman underwent surgery at the Alameda hospital and is convelescing.

Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Lundquist recently vacationed at the Oscar Fontano home.

Katie Simpson is home after visiting her relatives in Tonopah, Nevada. Our sympathies go to her in the recent death of her dear husband, Mames.

Bishop Arnold Bangerter and his wife, Hazel, have been vacationing in Utah. Sister Bangerter stayed for June MIA conference .

The Ralph Lanes are vacationing in Salt Lake City.

A barbecue dinner in the Robert Peterson's back yard, June 13, was given for about 10 members of the Senior Aaronic Priesthood and their wives, members of the Bishopric, Priesthood supervisors and their partners. Louis Engel and Charles Goodfellow were cooks.

Edna Burk, with her son, Frank, and daughter, Bobin, are vacationing in the Parks in Western United States.

James Simpson Funeral Is Held

James Simpson, 81, died June 15 in Alameda hospital. He was a retired railroad man and had been custodian of the Alameda chapel since its erection in 1949. He was a High Priest and is survived by his wife, Kate, one son, and 6 brothers and sisters, and three grandchildren. Funeral services were held June 19 in the Alameda chapel.

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Bay Ward

Reports On Activities Presented At 2nd Annual Ward Conference

By Ruth Hill

"It is easy to know what to do but hard to do it." This truth highlighted the talk by Bishop D. Forrest Greene of the Bay Ward at the second annual ward conference held June 15. President Serge J. Lauper of the San Francisco Stake and counselors, Wallace N. Allred and B. Herman Schettler presided and spoke of the responsibilities of ward members in keeping in touch with each other.

Reports were given by Margaret Judson, Relief Society president and a new convert to the Church within the last year, and by Nita F. Jones, Primary president. The new YMMIA Superintendent, Jim Lambert, outlined projects of the organization and issued a challenge to adult ward members to join the organization. Superintendent Leo Crandall of the Sunday School told of the great need for enlistment work among ward members to bring the adult attendance percentage to that of the younger members. Analu Newman, Young Women's Mutual President, told of her need for church activity and of the testimony to be gained in such work.

WARD OFFICERS and teachers met with members of the stake family during the afternoon and Bessie Schettler spoke on the Sunday school theme, "Feed my Sheep." Edwin Krieger and Robert Haycock were called to relate the stories of the circumstances leading up to their recent conversions to the Church and Nina Walker reported her mission experiences in the Central Atlantic States. Rose oshow gave a tribute to Bishop Green as the ideal ward father and bishop.

Bay area friends of Viola Kelley, formerly Viola Armand, will be interested to know she and Brother Dwight Kelley are fulfilling a work mission in Apia, Upolu, Samoa where extensive construction work is being done by 100 missionaries and their families. Sister Kelley is managing editor of "O Le Mataisau," a publication similar to the Messenger for the dissemination of Church news throughout the mission. She is also simplifying certain Gospel Doctrine manuals being translated to the Samoan language. According to Sister Kelley, many Samoan men are fulfilling work or labor missions for construction of Church schools and chapels. She writes interestingly of life in tropical Samoa and mentions that she has never seen people so hungry for education as the young people of Samoa. Friends of Sister Kelley may contact her by writing to Box 315, c/o LDS Construction, Apia, Upola, Samoa.

A GROUP VISIT to the San Francisco Library to view the Shakespeare collection and exhibit and a luncheon at the home of Alta G. Takis, literary teacher of the Bay Ward Relief Society, will be held Wednesday, July 9, according to Margaret Judson, president. Sister Judson and her counselors, Sisters Louise McCarl and Marilyn Stubbs were sustained as the new Relief Society presidency last month. Work meetings will be held at 10 in the morning on the third Wednesday of each month at the chapel during July, August and September.

Confirmations at the Bay Ward fast and testimony meeting in June included Mary Ellen Piercy and William M. Callahan. Bro. and Sis. Callahan's fifth child, Mathew Callahan, was blessed during the services. Also blessed was Stephen Mark Stilwell, first son of Brother and Sister Mark Stilwell.

A new home in the Westlake Highlands is the good fortune of Brother and Sister V. I. Kite and sons, Philip and Daniel, who are now members of the Balboa Ward.

Rose Coshow is celebrating her recent graduation from San Francisco State College with a summer job as counselor at a Girls' Camp in Santa Barbara. She has accepted a teaching position in the San Francisco schools, commencing in September.

Area Graduates From 'Y' Listed

Bay Area students were among the 1195 seniors receiving degrees at Brigham Young University commencement exercises held June 6.

Dr. Cloyd H. Marvin, president of George Washington University, was commencement speaker at the exercises held in the George Albert Smith Fieldhouse. The baccalaureate address was delivered by Elder Gordon B. Hinckley, assistant to the Council of the Twelve.

Bay Area graduates included:

Alameda—Sharon Marie Jensen, Beverly Yvonne Liebhart.

Albany—Joy Anne Aschmann.

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San Mateo—Carla Brown Burmester.

Vallejo—Patricia Breillatt.

Daniel Dalbey Hurt In Crash

By Mildred Fontano

Doctors are working to effect the complete recovery of Dan Dalbey, son of the Melvin Dalbeys of Walnut Creek, victim of a plane accident in the Pacific Ocean.

It was four months ago that the news was flashed that one of our planes was down in the Pacific with 11 men aboard, all but three of whom were killed. Dan, who grew up in Dimond Ward and Walnut Creek was one of those saved. Twice he surfaced after the crash but flames covered the water. The third time he came up outside the circle of fire.

Two Mormon boys lost their lives in the mishap. Japanese fishermen finally rescued the three survivors and they were hospitalized. Two months ago Dan and his wife were flown home and medical treatment is continuing. Dan is a graduate of the University of California, Berkeley campus.

Arthur Daniels, Dan's younger brother, who is six feet six inches tall, has been honored for his basketball ability. Playing on the Walnut Creek High School team, he was chosen on the All-State team.

Attending Sacrament Meetings?

TOPPING OFF a year of Shakespearian study, members of the Oakland-Berkeley Relief Society saw a play within a play which cleverly used famous quotations from the master paywright and some famous scenes, enacted by costumed players. The colorful show, presented in the Claremont Ward auditorium, was directed by Sister Phyllis Warnick, shown at center. In the cast were Janet Parker, Lillian Blackburn, Violet Christensen, Kay Redford, Louise Linford, Laurine Ellis, Sue Dixon, Jill Dysart, Violet Higham and Jean Paulson. Mary Burton was accompanist. —Photo by Ed Pyle.

Center To Cost $450,000 Offers Sweeping View

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I'm a salesman," said Rik. "I learned a lot more than just how to sing." A lot of his orders amounted to less than a dollar.

Gayle Jeanne Groo, 13-year-old daughter of the chairman, sold enough globes to pay for both her own and her father's fare. At first she was going along just to conference but age bars were dropped at the last and she appeared with the chorus.

Some $3000 was raised by sales of "stock" in the young people at $1 a share.

SOME OF THE participants were soldiers stationed at Fort Ord who traveled about 200 miles round trip to some of the rehearsals in Oakland and Berkeley.

Two San Joaquin Valley boys rebuilt, painted and sold an old truck for the necessary cash.

They're probably calling William Hanna, transportation chairman for Santa Rosa Stake, "Hairbreadth Hanna" by now. Hanna was due to travel on the Saturday morning plane but was aboard the Wednesday train in Oakland helping with the luggage when the train pulled out. He and Mrs. B. F Hemus of Petaluma, another non-passenger, were trapped aboard. Hanna waved to his six-year-old son, left standing on the platform. They were able to get off at Martinez and obtained a ride back to Oakland.

On the night before he was to depart Hanna learned that he couldn't go—a machine had broken down on the big project for which he is foreman. He gave his plane ticket to Ken Kenworthy to give away at the airport. Saturday morning at 8:30, at the Santa Rosa Airport, he learned that he could go, after all. The plane left San Francisco at 9:45 a.m. He made it. People in Sonoma and Marin counties are still talking about seeing a new satellite—a blinding flash—along the highway. Hanna was greeted with hugs from his young friends in Salt Lake City, who were told he couldn't make the trip.

MRS. ELAINE WRIGHT of Petaluma made the trip complete with family, three children ranging in age from three months to three years. Benita Hemus, 16, helped her out as a baby sitter.

Pat Kirkman sheepishly admitted that her jaw had become dislocated shortly after the train left. "I talked too much," she said. Alma Deane Feller, Oakland-Berkeley Stake YLMIA president, helped her get it back into place.

Cammy Cole of Menlo Park, whose father operates photo studios, couldn't make her camera work the first night.

John Tibbetts and Jim Lutz of Petaluma went aboard with identical lunches consisting of five sandwiches, one chicken, four cupcakes, and six bananas. They ate in the night whenever anyone woke them up and by morning the lunches were gone. "When does the diner open?" asked Jim, "I'm starved!"

The young people had nothing but praise for their treatment in Salt Lake City, where they were house guests of Grant Stake members. One family moved into a trailer so five girls could take over their home and there were many other such instances.

Four Palo Alto girls who missed the train in Oakland got some quick assistance from William Raver of Oakland and Jerry Simpson. The four girls were flown to Reno where they waited three hours for the train to pick them up at 3 a.m. The engineer spotted them on the sides of the tracks by their green ribbon-badges.

Paul Jamaica, golden-voiced employe of Sherman-Clay Co. in San Francisco, a non-member, became so fascinated by the project after selling music to Sister Lauper, that he joined the chorus. "Inspiring!" was his comment.

"It was great," commented Ken Kenworthy. "I can't say enough good about it. After all, I met my wife in a similar chorus in Southern California."

Challenge Facing LDS Members Listed By Dr. Bennion In Talks

Major challenges face members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in this changing world, in the opinion of D. Lowell Bennion, head of the Institute at the University of Utah. Dr. Bennion listed these challenges in the last of three lectures given at the Berkeley Chapel and sponsored by the Seventies Quorum. Affirming his unshakable faith in the Gospel, Dr. Bennion said that six major problems confront the LDS people.

1. We must work with more purpose.

"OUR MISSION is to help men to develop the qualities found in God and to help men to become more sincere and loving.

"What is happening to the people under our influence—that is the yardstick by which we can measure our success."

He said we must fight "institutionalism," meaning that we must see that Boy Scouts, for example, learn reverence to God and a sense of responsibility rather than devoting the energies of leaders toward the "bookkeeping" aspects of the movement.

2. We must guard against mediocrity.

"We live in a professional age; our children have trained teachers in school and we need even better training for Sunday School teaching. It is more difficult because we have fewer controls," he said.

HE TOLD ABOUT one young man who was highly successful as a missionary "because he had such great love people couldn't resist him."

He said that Church members don't want to be paid for their work, "but why can't we train ourselves better, use our skills and talents to be applied to Church work. Where love and skill work together—expect a masterpiece."

3. We need more reverence.

He said that some wards have this reverence, evident in the meetings, but others "need it terribly."

Perhaps one reason for this seeming lack of reverence is that we know each other so well and are so friendly.

"YET THIS LACK of reverence shows that we are thinking of ourselves too much. Reverence grows out of thinking of Our Father in Heaven. We need to be more theocentric rather than so ego-centric.

4. We need to cultivate family life more.

He declared that the Church program should build family life—not compete with it, pointing out that there is a movement on now to simplify some of the organizations and possibly eliminate or compress some of the meetings.

5. We need to think of our mission as a world-wide mission more than we do.

"Too much of our activity is centered around ourselves. We should study the gospel, think about it, then take it into the community and the world."

DR. BENNION declared that Mormons should study the applica-

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Castro Valley Ward

Auxiliary Activities Are Geared To Fit With Vacation Schedule

By Nell Smith

Playtime is with us. Family affairs in Castro Valley Ward are geared to holiday tempo. Ward activities with our auxiliaries, are on a different schedule too. Relief Society sisters, while never for a minute letting up on their compassionate service, are meeting only once a month. Sister Lillian Lotz, work director, oversees the busy fingers of the extended to all the ladies of the ward to take part. Good time sisters who meet on the second Tuesday to prepare articles for future sale. Quilters meet regularly and an invitation is to catch up on social visiting too!

MIA will continue to meet at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, but activities have been stepped up. There is fun for everyone and a place is being saved for YOU!

Junior M Men and Glaeners ushered in the summer fun by having their first class lesson combined with a party. Theme of the party ter acquainted with our new members. Their efforts netted six new members and lots of laughs. It was directed by Teachers Willis Bell and LaDean Christensen.

PRIMARY SUMMER projects were launched when Teachers Rhoda Petersen and Blanche Blackburn accompanied by Byron Harrison, escorted twelve Guide Patrol members and fifteen Trekkers to Oakland Naval Air Station for a conducted tour. The excursion was arranged and supervised by Primary Counselor Norma Ramey. The trip was climaxed with hamburgers and a ball game at the Castro Valley Community Center.

Junior classes in Primary have all completed their Mother Parties, and are now preparing to embark upon nature studies.

The Seagulls have graduated from Primary! An excellent original program was prepared under the direction of Primary President Mary Blazin and Seagull teacher Bess Johnson. Every graduate contributed to the theme "What Primary Has Accomplished" and the girls chorus sang their Seagull song. The graduates, who are assisting as Junior teachers this summer, were, Holly Root, Sylvia Gore, Pauline Denton, Vicky Ramey Sharen Norris, Sandra Amundson, Donna Schultz, and Virginia Lunsford.

No change has been made in the Sunday School program. Eleven-thirty each Sunday morning Superintendent Louis Boyle, his counselors and faculty, with Lorraine Toomey, Junior Sunday School coordinator, are waiting to welcome you and yours.

NO OTHER ORGANIZATION in the ward changes as often as our Aaronic Priesthood. This is good because each change means advancement. The Senior Aaronic group leads this month with the following brothers ordained priests; Robert L. Gardener, Rosco Whitney, Joseph Papa, James S. Birke, and Gerald C. Gurley; teachers were William W. Bailey, Lawrence Eagles and John Lyle Wood; and Donald Bailey was ordained a Deacon.

Robert N. Aguirre and Dale Holladay, were advanced to teachers, while Clinton Linnell and Conrad Engols were ordained deacons.

Brothers Harold Swaner and Andrew Adamson who have been ordained Elders!

Los Angeles here we were——— again! Costro Valley Ward youngsters again scored an outstanding record of 100 per cent Church attendance in the Hayward Stake MIA. Ten girls and six boys qualified to go on the trip to Los Angeles Temple and other spots in recognition of their faithful conduct. Receiving congratulations were Cathy Stephens, Kathryn Brian, Kathleen Hennessey, Bonnie Horrigan, Brenda Rosenkrans, Judy Fontano. Karen Hancock, Maryjo Reed, Donna Gay and Carolyn Reading; the six boys were Jan Bolles, Marvin Brown, Robert Aguirre, Robert Palmer, Billy and Joe Fontana. Sharing in the fun of the trip were Sisters Vivian Hennessey, YWMIA. President and Sister Violet Fontano who made the trip last year.

Welcome was extended to Howard Shurtleff, Joyce Gay and Janice Fontano who are home from BYU . . . was nice to see Sergeant Dean Bolles, USA, home on furlough . . . two boys and three girls made up the baby quartette blessed this month . . . they were Sheryl Ann Swaner, Gayle Fowler, Melody Rae Mattingly and Kenneth Rodney Jones . . . Byron Thomas Harrison was baptized and confirmed a Latter-day Saint . . . David and Valene Winter are our newest arrivals from another ward

"We'll never forget the thrills," seems to be the concensus of those who journeyed to Salt Lake City with the MIA Youth Chorus. . . opinions were from Owen Carroll, Sharon Hartman, Chris Tietjen, Bonnie Horrigan, Dorothy Jean Brown, Marjorie Smith and Sister Eunice Walton who traveled as their sponsor . . .

. . . . Goodbye and a hearty thankyou to Sisters Melba Smith, Florence Brewer and Carole Robinson. Primary workers whose servicemen husbands are being transferred . . . Sisters Dorothy Ward and Norma Wardell have been hospitalized . . . Sister Elsie Willis does nothing by halves. She fell she broke both feet! . . .and your reporter who wrote this column from bed where she is reclining in a corkscrew shape to repair an injured back . . . !

ANN BALMFORTH, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Balmforth of Berkeley Secdnd Ward, has won new honors at El Cerrito High School, for which she was commissioner of publicity last year. Ann was elected president of LaPlaya, school sponsored girls' service club, for the fall term. She also is president of Oakland-Berkeley Stake Gleaner Girls and has been active in ward work, particularly dramatics.

W. GLENN HARMON, JR., son of President W. Glenn Harmon, first Counselor in the Northern California Mission, and Mrs. Harmon, has been promoted to the rank of first lieutenant in the Air Force. Lt. Harmon, a graduate of Berkeley High School and Brigham Young University, is stationed at Flight Test Center, Edwards Air Force Base. He is administrative service officer for the 6515th Flight Line Maintenance Squadron. The Harmons reside at 793 Cragmont Ave., Berkeley, and are members of the Berkeley First Ward.

New Balboa Ward Primary Leaders

By Barbara Hyer

Carma Anderson, Joyce Ensign and Bernice Plekash were sustained May 25 as the new Balboa ward Primary Presidency.

Sister Anderson, not a newcomer to Primary work, brings with her a great deal of experience and enthusiasm. She has also worked in MIA.

Sister Eunice Lindblom, Carma Anderson and Joyce Ensign were released with a vote of thanks. Under their guidance the Primary enjoyed a prosperous year. Some of the fruits of their labors were realized when the following Seagulls graduated: Susan Robins, who attended 100 per cent last year, Marion Thatcher, Ellen McBride, Ruth Marquardt and Glenna Chase; and Guides Richard Davis, David Mahoney and Steven Bain.

Summer primary started with a picnic at Golden Gate Park on June 17.

San Francisco Ward

H. L. Fluckiger Named As Ward 2nd Counselor

By Echo May

Henry LaMont Fluckiger is the new second counselor in the San Francisco Ward Bishopric. He was presented to the members of the ward for their sustaining vote on June 1 by President Wallace N. Allred of the Stake Presidency.

Brother Fluckiger succeeds Udell E. Poulsen, who is preparing to move to San Mateo where he has purchased a home. Brother Poulsen has served in the Bishopric for the past 18 months, and his wife, Pauline, has taught the theology lesson in Relief Society, as well as assisted in music.

Brother Fluckiger has been serving as superintendent of the YMMIA. Other members of the Superintendency released with him were Alvus L. Wayman, age group assistant, Keith Holz, activity assistant, and Donald Sheldon, secretary.

A change also has been effected in the Ward Primary Presidency due to the call to Mavis Keller to serve on the Stake Board. Replacing Sister Keller as first Counselor is Phyllis Goodrich, Primary Lark teacher.

In commemoration of the Restoration of the Aaronic Priesthood, San Francisco Ward Aaronic Priesthood bearers joined with those from San Rafael and Novato on May 16 for an outing at Scout Tam Rancho. There was swimming and games, followed by a weiner roast and campfire singing.

The Sunday Evening Service was presented May 18 by the Aaronic Priesthood. Diplomas were awarded to members and their wives who graduated from the Stake Senior Aaronic School. Those receiving awards were: Frank Baker, James and Edna Gibson, Joseph and Frances Higby, Frank Honn, Theodore Lengel, Earl and Thelma Packer and Charles Renberg.

San Francisco and Bay Wards enjoyed a musical program presented by the Bear River A Capella Choir from Tremonton, Utah May 20. The youthful choir, comprised of 10th, 11th and 12th grade students, thrilled the audience with their performance of folk songs, and contemporary music. They sang with precision under the direction of Gene Jorgenson, director.

Oakland Second Ward

Young People Awarded Honors

By Karen Shaw

Several honors have been received by young people of the Oakland Second ward, Hayward Stake:

Scouts won the Hayward Stake plaque for the third straight time, and now will keep it. The plaque is awarded for advancements and for parental support. Truman Nethercott is scoutmaster.

MIA Maids are eligible for a Rose Tie. They are the only group in the stake to qualify more than 60 per cent of their members and become eligible for a rose tie. Teacher is Donna Cleland.

Two boys and a girl have qualified from Oakland Second ward for a trip to the Los Angeles Temple and to Disneyland, June 25-28, for the Hayward Stake Operation MIA. Making the trip will be Sandy Shaw, Ronnie Cleland and Francis Clealand.

Our ward dinner was a pot-luck, June 7. The MIA put on a Fashion Show which included modelling of dresses sewed by the girls.

Rooker Honored

Keith Rooker, son of President Rooker of San Joaquin Stake, was among Brigham Young University students receiving awards in the Department of Speech and Dramatic Arts. He was given forensic achievement award at the banquet at which 28 students were honored.

At the June commencement BYU awarded 1178 bachelor's degrees and 39 master's degrees, a total of 1217, a new record. President Ernest Wilkinson predicts that the summer convocation will add 400-500 bachelors and 70-80 masters, bringing the total for the year to about 1700. Last year the grand total was 1466.

The singers have made previous tours through Utah, the Northwest and California. But perhaps the greatest honor was their trip to Chicago in 1954 to perform by invitation at the Music Educator's Conference.

Local interest in the group was stimulated by the presence of three former members of the choir: Melinda Marble of the San Francisco Ward, and Marilyn Hollon and Carol Erickson of Bay Ward.

BISHOP SCOVILLE'S Message:

Memorial Day is in respectful memory of the past; but Father's Day is concerned with the future. Our Father in Heaven must have deep concern for the father of our day, especially the priesthood-bearers, who are setting the pace for the men of tomorrow. "The works and the designs, and purposes of God cannot be frustrated, neither can they come to naught." (D&C 3:1) The wise father will lead his son on the path to exaltation and will walk in the counsel of God and keep His commandments in order to gain the gem of joys, the continued admiration, respect and love of his wife, his sons, and his daughters. May God bless the fathers of today that they may be a blessing to the fathers of tomorrow.

Cadet Second Lt. Gary S. Allen, Explorer Scout of San Francisco Ward was in the Color Guard proudly carrying the Safety Patrol Flag during the Traffic Parade in Kezar Stadium, May 28th.

Margaret Ellen Edvalson, daughter of Ada Edvalson was baptized May 31 by her Sunday School teacher, Charles Kleebauer, and by him confirmed a member of the Church June 1.

Laura Ann Keller, born, March 22, 1958, daughter of Keith Thomas and Mavis Keller, was given a name and a blessing in San Francisco Ward June 1.

Young People Of Oakland-Berkeley To Compete In Genealogy Contest

Young people of ages 12-18 in the Oakland-Berkeley Stake are invited to take part in a contest to select the three best Books of Remembrance, it is announced by Dennis L. Lauper, stake chairman. The contest opens July 1 and closes Sept. 30 and all entries are to be submitted to the contestant's Ward Genealogical Committee on or before Sept. 30, 1958.

First the contest is on a ward level, with the three best books to be chosen; afterwards the winner from each ward will be entered in an all-stake contest to select the three best entries.

Books of Remembrance may take any form. Each person is encouraged to use his imagination and initiative in choosing and filling out his book, said Elder Lauper. However, the books must contain the following:

1. The personal record sheet filled out as completely as possible with all vital statistics called for.

2. A family group sheet for the entrant's own parents with all brothers and sisters listed—completely filled out.

3. A pedigree chart filled out as far as possible, completely and accurately.

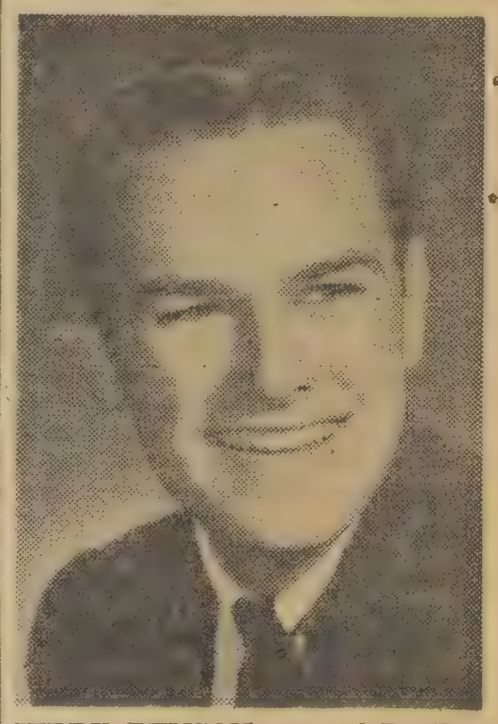
4. An essay of between 500 and 1000 words to be written on a topic of the contestant's choice. (Suggestions: School days, teachers, friends, awards, achievements, sports, trips, moving experiences, family history, hobbies).

Books will be judged by the ward committees on the basis of originality and completeness with these weighted factors: Essay, 50 per cent; pedigree chart, 10 per cent; personal history, 10 per cent; family group sheets, 10 per cent; layout and art work, 20 per cent.

All contestants who satisfy minimum standards will receive an achievement certificate and the three top ward winners will be announced during a Sacrament meeting in October.

The Stake Genealogical Committee will judge the ward first place winners and choose the three grand prize winners. All three grand prize winners will be awarded a free trip to the Los Angeles Temple to do baptisms for the dead.

Instructions may be obtained from the ward genealogical chairman, from Dennis L. Lauper, at LO. 9-6643, or from any member of the stake committee.



JERRY BENSON, son of Brother and Sister Wesley Taft Benson, of Menlo Park, has been honored by the sophomore class at Brigham Young University. He was elected to represent his class as sophomore senator in the Associated Student Body Senate for the coming school year.

Liahona Club Art Show Readied For First Public Viewings

The first LDS Art Exhibit, being presented in July, is being presented under the sponsorship of the Liahona Club, members of which are encouraging local talent to display paintings and other art productions. Panels for the display were made jointly by Sid Feller and Oscar McCarthy from materials provided by the club.

Thora Bramwell heads a subcommittee of the club's art committee to arrange place and time and manage the exhibits. It is expected the exhibits will be at various big inter-stake and stake affairs and in some of the chapel lobbies.

The Liahona Club art committee, headed by I. B. Ball, invites anyone interested in displaying art or helping otherwise, to contact Thora at 5380 Foothill Blvd., or call KE. 6-1060. This is planned as a continuing project and suggestions are invited.

Wendell Martin, Liahona Club president, and Jack Evans, have presented excellent programs recently. Entertainers have included Shari and Gayle Evans, vocal duets; Bill Owens, pianist, of Berkeley Second Ward, and Kurt Erickson, pianist, Berkeley First Ward. Meetings are held on the mezzanine floor of the Colonial Cafeteria in Oakland on Webster St., on the third Mondays at 6:30 p.m.

Mormon Beauty Makes Friends For the Church

Miss America—Miss Charlotte Sheffield of Salt Lake City—made a distinct hit in New Zealand during the dedication tour and managed to let everyone know about Mormon standards in the process, said Keith Gudmundson of the Inglewood Travel Service, who worked out a publicity program for her. Elder Gudmundson also made the trip during which the New Zealand Temple was dedicated.

The Dunedin newspaper set forth, in part: "She has the charm of manner and the lovely face and figure one might expect from one chosen to represent her country, but in other respects she has many qualities not usually associated with a beauty queen.

"She neither drinks nor smokes, and that includes even tea and coffee. Her religion has taught her, too, to behave and dress modestly, and she gives 10 per cent of all her earnings to her Church."

The Wellington paper said: "Representing the ideal American girl, this 21-year-old beauty queen from Utah graduated in theater arts and voice."

The Waikato Times, in a picture caption, wrote: "The welcome tendered to David O. McKay . . . was most spectacular. Nearly . . . everyone seemed to have a camera. One of the busiest persons there was Miss United States, who not only took hundrds of pictures but who was photographed by every professional and a large proportion of the amateur photographers."

Miss Sheffield gave numerous talks at Sacrament meetings, college groups and other gatherings during the trip.

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Claremont Ward

Kearsley-Brogan Wed At Chapel

Claremont Ward Lounge and Recreation Hall was chosen for the Kearsley-Brogan wedding. The double ring ceremony was performed by Ernest J. Alborn of the bishopric, uniting Yvonne Luise Kearley and Gary Eldridge Brogan as husband and wife. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Everett L. Kearsley, (the former Merle Gleason) and the granddaughter of Elbert M. and Rose Gleason with whom Yvonne has lived the past year.

A large arrangement of white lilac and snap-dragons formed the background for the bridal party. A wedding march and other appropriate musical numbers were played by Calvin Wood. Vocal solos were by Jackie Moore. Yvonne looked lovely in a ballerina length bridal gown of white net and lace. Her finger-tip veil was of the same material. Her bouquet was yellow roses. Attending the bride was her sister Leanna as maid of honor, dressed in pale green; she carried Talisman roses. Two other sisters, Linda May and Karen acted as ushers. The mothers of the couple wore orchid corsages.

Gary's brother, Brian acted as best man to the bridegroom. About 150 persons attended and many useful gifts were received. The parents of the bridegroom Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ekman are from Novato, Calif. The grandparents in both families were present. Miss Sheradine Kelch attended the guest book.

Assisting with the serving were Mrs. Oren Yorgenson, Mrs. Don C. Wood, Mrs. Fred Reiche, Mrs. Curtis Millward and Mrs. Var Millward. Mrs. Florence Heald provided flowers. She was assisted in the serving by young friends of the bride, including Carol Stoddard, Corrine Hancock, Rita Hancock, Winifred Banks, Anne Reiche and Judy Pennock. Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Stoddard assisted with the wedding invitations. Mildred Anderson caught the bridal bouquet (and has fulfilled the tradition by announcing her engagement).

Mrs. Harold Eldridge was in charge of the kitchen assisted by Mrs. Elmo Carr and Mrs. George Bain.

The bridal couple left immediately for Oxnard where they enjoyed a short honeymoon. Gary is attached to the US Navy near Oxnard, Calif.

NOW RESIDING in Oxnard are Mr. and Mrs. Gary E. Brogan, shown here during wedding ceremonies at the Claremont Ward Lounge and Recreation Hall.Mrs. Brogan is the former Yvonne Louise Kearsley.

Balboa Second

Young People At Conference

By Lola Geary

Many of the young people of Balboa Second Ward attended June conference and participated in the Youth Chorus. Most of those attending conference participated in the chorus. They are, Sharon Fuller, Iris Simper, Gary Sherwood, Harris Kemper, Lewis Hall, Charles Fuller, Rodney Austin and Jerry Harte. Brother and Sister Charles Nauman also attended conference.

The Sunday School Officers and Teachers sponsored a building fund dinner this past month. They also are in charge of a program for Sacrament meeting soon.

YLMIA: Two Beehive girls, Haven Smith and Sharon Sharpe, received awards for their achievements.

The Relief Society Sisters are now on their summer schedule of meetings, but once a month.

Primary is now held Tuesdays at 10 a.m.—Be sure your child or children gets the opportunity of participating in the summer activities!

Those graduating from high school were, Heber Linden Dirks, Gary John Breckon, Lee Anne Ahlf, Sharon Lee Fuller, Nancy Rae Roberts, Gerold Clark Sherwood, Lewis M. Hall, Rodney Evan Austin and Mary Elizabeth Carlson. Of this group four have made definite plans for attending college.

The baby blessed this month was Diane Davis, daughter of Warren and Barbara Davis. Those advanced in the priesthood were Jack Patrick, Elder, and William Austin—Deacon.

The ward has a Cub Scout Pack. There are now four Den Mothers and there is room for boys who would like to become Cub Scouts. The ages are from 8 to 19. For additional information contact Cubmaster Ray Cole, 209 Alpha Street, San Francisco. JUniper 7-0233.

This is school vacation for many and holidays for most. Remember—"safety first on the road and elsewhere." Did you invite the "Protective Spirit" to accompany you?

George D. Hansens Conversion Record

A notable record of conversions has been established by Brother and Sister George D. Hansen, recently released from the Northern California Mission, it was announced by President J. Leonard Love.

Serving two years in the mission, laboring in the North Sacramento Stake, the Hansens brought 90 people to baptism, which actually brought into Church activity 250 people.

"These two fine people averaged 60 hours a week in missionary work while they were on their mission," said president Love.

The people in North Sacramento Stake honored them with a farewell dinner party in the North Carmichael Ward following their release. Members of the stake had made a scroll and had all members of the ward—including those new ones the missionaries had brought in—sign the scroll so the Hansens would have it as a keepsake.

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MRS. LEROI B. GARDNER JR., the former Sally Louise Sorensen of Salt Lake City, was presented to her bridegroom's many friends Tuesday, July 1 at the University of California Alumni House. Sally is the daughter of the S. Morgan Sorensens and the bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. LeRoi B. Gardner of Berkeley First Ward. They were married June 27 in the Salt Lake Temple with Elder Alma Sonne officiating.

Sunset Ward

Awards Given Young Ladies

Young ladies of Sunset Ward were given their individual awards for Church service at a recent program, featuring many fine talks. Speakers included Gwen Pickins, Donald Spratling, Nancy Thomas, Edward Costa, Eleanor McClellan, John Storeheim. Musical numbers were presented by Wilma Brown and Bonnie Lauper.

Thirty-two awards were given, to:

Beehive—Wilma Brown, Judith Hanson, Janice Nixon, Marsha Reukart, Linda Lauronen, Teena Lenahan, Terry Tolley, Cheryl Mayfield, and Susan Thatcher.

Mia-Maids—Olivia Ball, Bonnie Lauper, Margaret McDonald, La-Prele Shaw, Caron Smith, Davie Tolley, Jacqueline Tripp, Joanna Wixon, Barbara Lusinger and Sally Hanson.

Junior Gleaner—Sheri Bauman, Judith Mayfield, Janice Mayfield, Linda Johnson, Carolyn Roberts, Jane Roehl and Sarak Kanzler.

Girls who achieved the Silver Gleaner Award and were presented with a white orchid included Nancy Thomas, Judy Mayfield, April Aaron, Carole Hoppe and Judy Pearson.

Sunset Ward Relief Society members honored their class leaders and officers at the closing lesson. Luncheon was served by the presidency.

Sister Ann Barton was especially honored and presented with an orchid corsage for her faithful service in welfare work. The ward completed its welfare quota of 160 pairs of men's and boys' trousers.

Brother and Sister Karl Adams were presented with a graduation certficate from the Stake Senior Aaronic Priesthood School.

Twenty-nine of the ward members visited the Los Angeles Temple June 14, traveling by bus and automobile. They attended two sessions.

Barney Gardner, Sally Sorensen Wed In Temple

The marriage of Sally Louise Sorensen of Salt Lake City and LeRoi B. "Barney" Gardner, Jr., son of Brother and Sister LeRoi B. Gardner of Berkeley First Ward was solemnized June 27 in the Salt Lake Temple.

The betrothal of the popular University of Utah graduates was announced at a Salt Lake Country Club luncheon in May. Large straw picture hats brimming with white daisies and tied with cascading yellow streamers were suspended from the ceiling over tables for 10. "Daisies do tell," guests learned from reading the nuptial tidings, "Sally and Barney, June 27," inscribed on the large flowers. White miniature flower-filled hats holding name cards were at each place setting.

Among the guests were Mrs. Gardner and Barney's sister, Louise.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. Morgan Sorensen of Salt Lake City.

THE GARDNERS, well known in ward and stake activities, were hosts at the wedding breakfast at the Hotel Utah Roof Garden which followed the wedding. Brother Gardner is prominent also in Berkeley civic activities, is a past president of the Berkeley Kiwanis Club and the Berkeley Realty Board. He operates a real estate business in Berkeley.

While they are in the Bay Area Sally and Barney will be honored by the Gardners at a July 1 University of California Alumni House reception.

Barney, who is enrolled in the University of Utah Medical School, is a Sigma Chi and a member of Phi Beta Pi, professional medical fraternity. He is a graduate of Berkeley High School, attended UC in Berkeley, served with the Army Medical Corps in Hawaii and fulfilled a mission for the Church.

SALLY MAJORED in interior decorating at the U, was active in university music circles, a member of the Air Force ROTC Sponsor Corps and a Chi Omega.

Wedding attendants included Barney's sister, Mrs. Allan H. Baker, matron of honor; Sally's sister, Christine, maid of honor, and Louise Gardner a bridesmaid. Dr. Barker was best man for his brother-in-law to be and Betsy Barker, flower girl.

The young couple are honeymooning at Lake Louise and Lake Tahoe.

Rodeo Ward

Senior Aaronic Work Progesses

By Una Ellsworth

We are proud of the Senior Aaronic Priesthood. With the new program, many changes have been made, more interest and much enthusiasm is being shown.

Senior Aaronic Priesthood members pass the Sacrament and hold Fireside and Cottage meetings. Each Sunday we find our Rodeo Ward membership growing steadily.

Denton Felton, one of our active teen-agers, with his parents, the Fred Feltons, moved to Rio Vista recently. Early in June young Felton joined the U.S. Navy and is in Boot-Camp training in San Diego.

Ray Byars has gone in to the auto mechanic business. His new place of business is on the Old Highway 40 and Appian Way, Pinole.

Brother J. Kenneth Munk, who has had many years of experience as an expert watch repairman, has come out of retirement. His shop is located at his home, 1135 Rachel Road, Montalvin Manor, near Pinole.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kerns of Hercules are vacationing in Utah for two weeks.

Tuesday, June 17, marked the first meeting for primary to be held at 10 a.m. at the El Sobrante Improvement Club. Prayer meeting will be held at 9:45 a.m.

Counselors Blaine Lott and Dean Ogden were in charge of the car pools for a trip to the Welfare Farm, early in June. The membership responded and the work was completed.

Oakland Ward

Money Is Raised By Relief Society

By Joan Tocher

Wednesday, May 27, marked the end of Relief Society until fall, except for monthly meetings which will be held during the summer At the luncheon which followed the Social Science lesson. Bishop John Hughes was presented with a check for $1,250 for the building fund. Relief Society had been given a check for $250 earlier in the year, and asked to return it when it was $1,000.

We had a lot of fun money-raising. We had a book review, and luncheon, and several women volunteered to take $5 returning it when it was $15 or more. As a result of individual money-making effort we had a lot of home-made bread, fancy breads, home-made upholstery cleaner, chairs upholstered, etc. One sister received an award for some artwork, which she turned over to Relief Society, another gave organ lessons another had a china exhibit.

It has been a wonderful year in Relief Society, but with it came a note of sadness when it was announced that President Ruby Addis had asked to be released, after having served as President during the latter part of Oakland Fifth days, and then when it was divided to join Oakland Third and Oakland Wards, she continued to serve. Such a wonderful spirit has been presented under Ruby's presidency.

With her release, Counselors Violet Higham and Grace Brown were released too. In the words of Sister Addis, her counselors gave service beyond the call of duty. This is also true of Sister Josephine White, who served as secretary, and will continue to serve with Sister Shu de li Taylor as the new president. Sister Taylor gave meaningful and thought-provoking lessons as our Social Science teacher. Sister Taylor has been active for many years in Relief Society in the capacity of teacher. As yet her counselors have not been chosen.

Balboa Second

Showers Given 2-Brides-To-Be

A shower was given for Pearl Buckley at the Junior Sunday School room of the Balboa Second Ward meeting house, with more than 40 attending. Hostesses were Lois Elliott and Anis Mellum.

Nancy Roberts was given a shower at the home of Brother and Sister Elvin Hansen by Inez Kinner, Sally Naumann and Florence Hansen. Nancy was also given a shower by her young friends, sponsored by Erma Lee Williams, Shiela Koski and Joan Baird.

Both girls recieved many useful gifts.

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Los Altos Ward

Relief Society Takes 'Flight Around The World'

It was flight time for some 60 members of the Los Altos Ward Relief Society Thursday noon, June 5—as well as the occasion for a closing party preceding the usual change to a summer schedule. Around the chapel's patio were colorful travel posters and tables displaying articles typical of many different foreign countries. And at each table were ladies prepared to furnish entertainment and dispense refreshments representative of the area. The menu included Swedish smorgasbord, chow mein, Spanish bread, French pastries, and Hawaiian punch. The airlines that provided the posters also donated the menu cards, and even the gum that is served in flight.

To give further realism to the round-the-world trip, Lynne Jorgensen, dressed as flight stewardess in charge, met the ladies and Joyce Bohne served in the role of tour conductor, giving a witty running commentary as the trip progressed.

Representing Spanish-speaking countries were Lilath Hill, Violet Smith, and Hepsey Burch, who entertained with the blindfold game of breaking a pinata filled with goodies. In the Hawaiian-Samoan area of the patio, through arrangements by Gertrude Duskin and Josephine Sanders, Shirley Berrmann gave native dance numbers with Gwen Riches at the drums. Jessica Goates, portraying the Far East, entertained with an oriental song. Lottie Doering and Maureen Mahmberg harmonized in singing the German favorite, The Lorelei. The French sector of the patio, Betty McMullin presiding, was the scene of a Parisian fashion show with sack-wearing models: Bobby Hopkins, Norma Drysdale, Marjory Farr, Mabel Williams, and Betty McMullin. Barbara Woolsey provided clever commentary.

For the benefit of other wards seeking a party theme, the Los Altos ladies agreed that they were unusually well entertained, well fed, well instructed, and well conducted in their simulated world tour, a new experience for most.

Willard A. Aston Cuts New Trail To Conversions

By Samuel W. Taylor

One of the few costs that have been reduced, in this era of rising prices, is the expense of making a convert to the LDS Gospel. In 1950 it cost some $650 per convert, for example, in the Pennsylvania area. Just two years leter, this had been reduced to $65.

A vital force in this dramatic rennaissance in conversions is Willard A. Aston, who has just completed teaching a course on "A Missionary Approach to the Gospel," to members of several stakes of the Bay area. The course, an Extension service of the BYU Department of Religion and Adult Education, consisted of six lessons designed to increase Church members' understanding of the basic missionary subjects. Classes were held at the Palo Alto Ward Chapel.

Willard Atton, as a missionary, rediscovered the old-time method of making converts by prayer and testimony, rather than by reason and argument. He developed methods so successful that he was invited to other missions to help them. Then he was asked to help prepare the modern system of teaching the Gospel that has been used by our missionaries in recent year with such phenomenal success.

But as a young missionary, going into the field to labor in 1940, after 16 fruitless months, Willard Aston became so discouraged that he asked the mission president to send him home. Instead, he was transferred to a new town in Pennsylvania, with a new companion. And it was here that he decided that since the methods he had been using had brought no results, he would try something different. "You don't make converts by logic," he declares. "You can't prove the Gospel. But if you hear testimony and get on your knees and pray with people, they know they have heard the truth."

Using this system, the two young missionaries hired a hall and built up a congregation that was soon paying $1,000 a month in tithing—but none of them had been baptized. You were supposed to wait until an investigator asked to be baptized. Aston hastened things along by announcing a baptism would be held, and nine people showed up for it. Every month thereafter there were about ten more.

On his second mission ,Aston went with his wife. They expected to be in the field six months, but stoyed twenty-two. It was at this time that he condensed the long missionary course then in use, and presently through the new system he was making converts by the hundreds.

Invited to install his system in a mission that was making eight converts a year, he established a method that soon was making ten converts a month.

Aston has developed techniques for being admitted into homes, for getting attention and respect, for bringing people step by step to conversion. But the heart of his system is remarkably simple. "You don't have to be a good missionary or a good talker to make converts," he says. "You just have to have a strong testimony."

When an investigator came to him with a long list of questions, Aston said, "I can't answewer those questions—you can. Get down on your knees and ask for the answers. If you had faith you wouldn't ask questions."

While the system that Aston helped develop is a seven-lesson course, he himself would like to see even this shortened. "They used to spend all winter teaching one lesson, the Godhead. I now combine it, the Joseph Smith story, and Repentance, in 26 minutes."

And 26 minutes, Aston declares, is long enough to know if you've got them or if they're not interested. He is against long probationary periods. "If they're ready, baptize them." "And they're ready if they pay tithing, obey the Word of Wisdom, and have a testimony. They can pick up what else they need later.

Challenge

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tion of each organization to the world and learn how to express love toward the family, the neighbors and the world.

"We have the tools of the Priesthood and the Holy Ghost to bring the kingdom of the Church on earth," he added.

Scores of examples were used by Dr. Bennion to illustrate his lectures on the basic theme of living and applying Mormonism in the modern world. He was introduced by Dr. Howard Bodily, of Berkeley Second Ward.

Following the final lecture he and Mrs. Bennion were honored guests at a reception in the recreation hall and lounge.

TWO LEADERS IN high schools situated in Oakland-Berkeley Stake swap yearbook signatures during train trip to Salt Lake City with MIA Youth Chorus. At left Jerry Basinger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Basinger, of Berkeley First Ward, who is vice president of the low senior class at Berkeley High School for the coming term. At right is Lynda De Rouen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas De Rouen of Berkeley Second Ward, elected as next year's commissioner of entertainment at El Cerrito High School. Both these talented young people have participated in ward activities.

Oakland-Berkeley

'Y' Graduates To Teach Here

By Mildred Fontano

The Wendyl Jensens motored to Utah to attend graduation exercises at the BYU. Their daughter, Sharon, was graduated and will teach in Hayward, having been signed up at the BYU by a member of the Hayward board of Education.

Beverly Liebhart, another local Y graduate, also will teach in California. Her parents, the Paul Liebharts, were in Provo for the services.

The George Pinkneys motored to Manti to do ordinance work in the Temple, then continued to the BYU commencement exercises.

The serial, "Not to the Swift," beginning in the July Relief Society Magazine, was written by our own Deone R. Sutherland, who won the national short story contest of the Relief Society last year. Deone, of Oakland Fourh Ward, has had three serials and many short stories in the magazines.

Richard Pearce of Oakland Third Ward has a trophy for his exploits on Memorial Day. He spent the day with his Uncle Elwin Bagley in Weaverville, where he killed a rattlesnake with 10 rattles. Richard has the rattles and skin.

Pictures of Rufus O. Phelps and Winifred Phelps of Oakland Third Ward , appeared in the Deseret News. They are in Australia on a work mission to supervise the building of a chapel. Brother Phelps has supervised part of the mammoth Church building program, the latest unit being a chapel in Brisbane, for Chermside Branch.

The Oscar Fontanos spent three weeks in Henderson and Las Vegas, Nevada and Salt Lake City, where they did research work. They visited with President Eugene and Ruth Hilton, who are doing library research, and with Amy Doyle, of Oakland Ward, who did research and is now in Washington, D. C. continuing her work in the Congressional Library.

On the return trip they visited the Theodore Rueggs in Reno where Mr. Ruegg is an architect and Mrs. Vanita Ruegg is head of special recreational activities for the city.

San Mateo Ward

Faye Stoker, Able Leader

One of our smallest women, physically, and one of the biggest spiritually, Faye Stoker is highly qualified to teach the Family Life lessons in the Social Science classes. Before she was born, her mother was promised in a blessing that a choice spirit would be sent her, and Faye has been just that, according to her family and her host of devoted friends.

From early childhood she has been completely devoted to the Church, with never a question or rebellion against its teachings.

Faye's musical ability brought her into the limelight early in life when at the age of 12 she was accompanist for the Hollywood ward choir. Throughout her school years she won acclaim in school and church activities.

Although she was born in Provo, Utah, Faye spent most of her early life in Southern California. Since 1942, she and her husband, William L. Stoker, have lived in San Francisco and San Mateo. They have four lovely daughters.

Among her many Church positions, Faye has been called on to be a Relief Society president, a bishops wife, and Stake president's wife. These callings have brought her experience in every phase of human feelings. She has gone beyond the call of duty to brighten, enrich and share her joys and others' sorrows.

A close friend said of her recently, "Faye is as sensitive to a need as her hands are to the piano keys. She lives her life as she plays the piano—she practices so hard she bypasses most of the discords, or because she anticipates them she prepares to avoid them."

One never sees Faye discouraged. She is cheerful under any circumstance and accepts each new problem or assignment as a challenge, working diligently to enrich her life and gain new knowledge that she may better prepare herself and her family for celestial life.

Have You Made Your Pledge For Tri-Stake Center?

BYU EXTENSION COURSE—Members of the class being taught by Willard A. Aston (second from left, standing) on the Peninsula. The course, "A Missionary Approach to the Gospel," is on basic missionary subjects.

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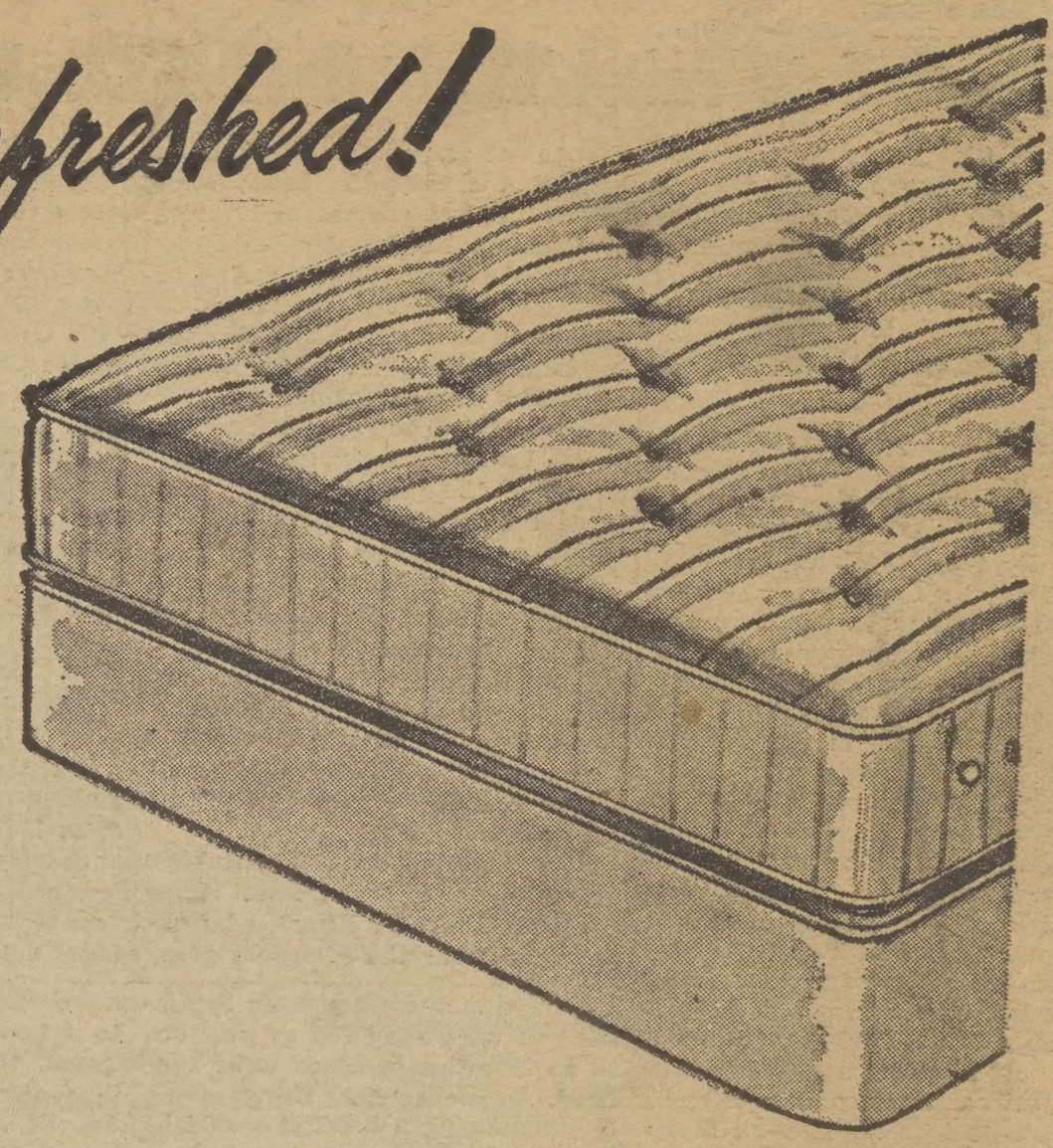

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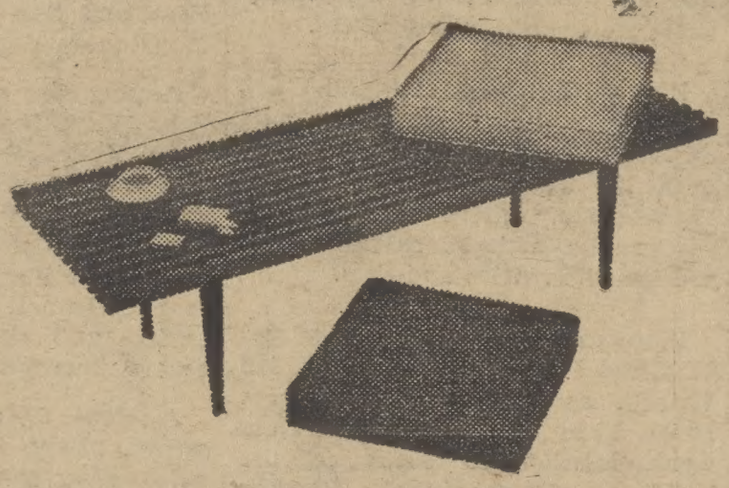

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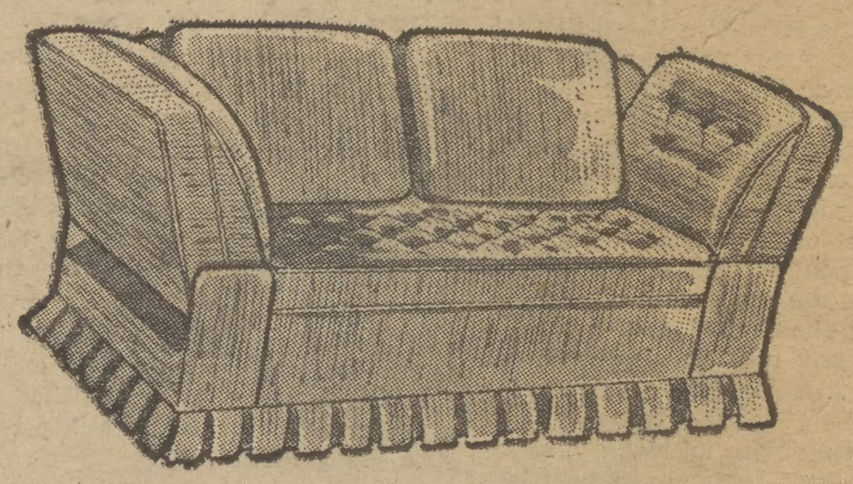

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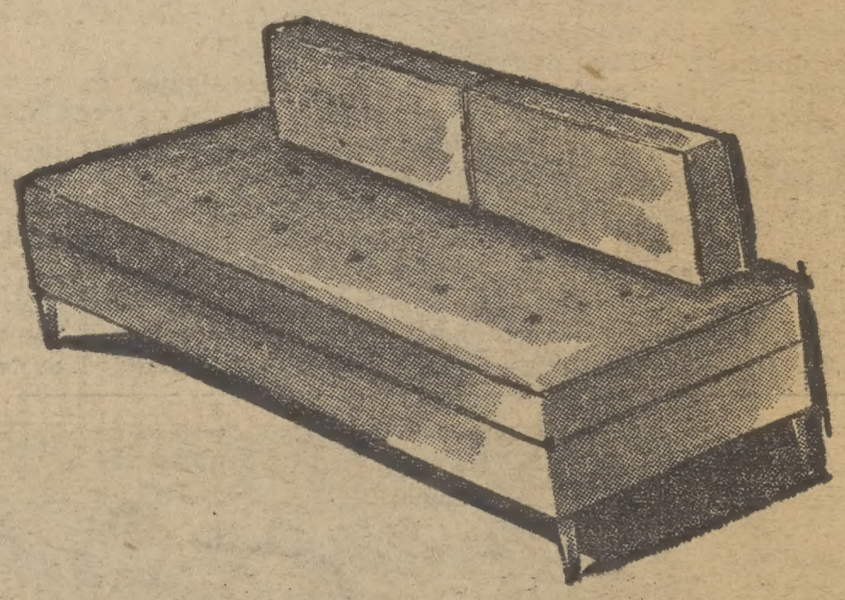

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